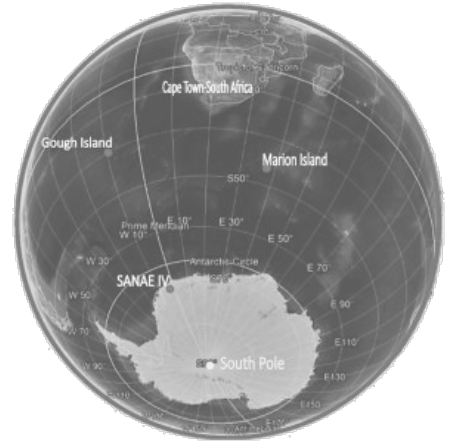


# Call for applications for 2020 MA scholarships

## Southern Oceanic Humanities: Africa and the Antarctic



This project aims to establish Antarctic and Southern Ocean research in the Humanities and Social Sciences in South Africa. It builds on well-established research in the area of the environmental humanities, the recent development of critical oceanic studies, and longstanding South African research in Antarctica through the South African National Antarctic Programme. Taking an inter- and transdisciplinary approach, it aims to examine the small but significant body of literary work on the sub-Antarctic islands, the extensive visual and textual record of Antarctica, and to apply humanistic approaches to other forms of scientific and cultural production related to the region and its critical significance for climate change.

MA funding is available for a one year Humanities Masters based at Wits in 2020. We have extensive archives of cultural and media material that could be approached from a variety of disciplinary or methodological angles, and are happy to work with prospective students to develop a research topic.

We are seeking applications from students working in literary studies, cultural and media studies, visual arts, creative writing, journalism, history, anthropology, law or related fields.

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### Eligibility:

1. Accepted to Wits for 2020 admission into MA by coursework (MA by research may be eligible)
2. Have/develop a research project that speaks to the themes of the project
3. South African and permanent residents (non-South Africans may be eligible)

### Required documents:

1. Proposed research project (1-2 paragraphs)
2. CV and covering letter including why you are interested and should be offered the scholarship
3. At least one academic reference letter or contact details of a referee

Successful applicants will be required to audit/enrol for a course on Underwater Aesthetics.

Applications must be emailed to [charne.lavery@gmail.com](mailto:charne.lavery@gmail.com). Queries and expressions of interest can also be directed to this address. Please also see [www.oceanichumanities.com](http://www.oceanichumanities.com) for more information.

Deadline: Friday, 14 February 2020