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Call for Applications for Evaluation and Rating – 2025

Applicants are invited to submit applications for evaluation and rating
at https://nrfconnect.nrf.ac.za.

UFS first internal closing date for applicants: 16:30 on 9 December 2024.

NO late applications will be accepted after the above closing date.

For eligibility criteria and guidelines, please find the documents attached herein.

Kindly note the following important information: If you intend to submit an application for rating, please complete your profile and NRF Connect CV before creating the application. Also, make sure that you proofread before submitting.

Important dates for the current cycle:

2 October 2024	NRF rating virtual workshop: RSVP Thabi Mosoetsa on (Mosoetsat@ufs.ac.za)
14 and 17 October 2024	Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Research and Internationalisation meets with reviewers of first draft. Feedback sent after the meeting.
6 November 2024	Rating call announced.
9 December 2024	**First internal closing date**. Reminder for submissions will be sent to applicants.
10 December 2024	Applications sent to UFS panel for review.
TBC	Feedback from panel: Social Sciences, Humanities, and Theology.
TBC	Feedback from panel: Natural and Agricultural Sciences and Health Sciences.
29 January 2025	Re-open online applications on the NRF system to incorporate feedback from reviewers.
7 February 2025	UFS internal closing date – Please adhere! – **No late submissions will be allowed.**
14 February 2025	NRF closing date.
28 February 2025	DRD submits final applications.

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Please download the following documents:
- Eligibility for applicants
- Considerable International Recognition (CIR)
- Definition of NRF rating categories
- Key research areas and types of research outputs
- Statement on ethical research and scholarly publishing practices
- National Research Foundation ERP project – NRF Connect: Profile Registration Guide