

# UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI EXTERNAL JOB VACANCIES (PROJECT POSITIONS)

Applications are invited for the following position:

## FIELD LAB TECHNOLOGIST (ANAEMIA STUDY), UNITID - AD/2/7/23 - 1 POST

#### The Position

Reporting to the Laboratory Technical Advisor (LTA), the Field Lab Technologists will counsel, test for hemoglobin and refer the anemic participants to the Kangemi Clinic, maintain the Point Of Care Testing (POCT) device in good condition and keep record of the testing data at the field.

# Responsibilities

- Testing for hemoglobin levels using the POCT Hemocue
- Mobilize the community for eligible participants
- Refer participants to the Kangemi Clinic for screening and enrolment
- Perform Quality Control (QC) checks for the testing devices used in the field
- Proper waste management in the field
- Monitor supplies and make timely requests through the LTA
- Ensure that study equipment is properly calibrated and well maintained
- Comply with all policies and regulations related to safety, cleanliness and infection control
- Perform other duties as assigned by the LTA

## **Required Academic Qualifications**

- At least Diploma in Medical Laboratory Sciences/Medical Laboratory Technology
- At least two (2) years' experience working in a field laboratory setting
- Registration with Kenya Medical Laboratory Technicians and Technologists Board (KMLTTB) and a valid practicing license
- Experience working as a Field Laboratory Technologist at community level will be an added advantage

## Required Skills and Experience

- Thorough knowledge of testing using POCT devices
- Evidence of participation in field lab work using POCT
- Good planning and organizing skills
- Excellent communication skills; fluency in English and Kiswahili
- Knowledge on Quality Assurance (QA) and Quality Control (QC) in POCT
- Thorough knowledge of waste disposal guidelines

#### Ability to:

- Set up, operate and make minor repairs to POCT devices
- Correctly transcribe laboratory results
- Operate, calibrate, and perform minor troubleshooting of POCT devices
- Maintain the study equipment in a safe and organized manner including correctly handling hazardous or dangerous materials and equipment
- Observe safety procedures and protocols including safe handling and storage of hazardous materials
- Read and understand technical manuals and protocols
- Perform routine record keeping and report writing duties
- Work independently and collaboratively
- Plan and organize work to meet changing priorities and deadlines
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with colleagues in the field

# **Terms of Appointment**

This a position whose tenure is one (1) year contract renewable based on performance and by mutual consent. The salary is negotiable depending on the level of education and work experience.

#### **NOTES**

- 1. Applicants should email their application letters, certified copies of certificates and curriculum vitae (CV) giving details of their qualifications, experience and three (3) referees as well as indicating their telephone and e-mail contacts.
- Applications and related documents should be forwarded through applicants' Heads of Departments, where applicable, and be addressed to the Director, Human Resource, University of Nairobi.
- 3. Applicants should state their current designations, salaries and other benefits attached to those designations.
- 4. The application letter must bear the reference code indicated in the advertisement.
- 5. Late applications will not be considered.
- 6. Applications should be emailed to recruit-fltasu@uonbi.ac.ke as one file in PDF.

## **CLOSING DATE: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023**

THE UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER ONLY SHORTLISTED APPLICANTS WILL BE CONTACTED