



Become a Leader in Health Research Ethics

Fully-Funded Masters Scholarships for 2027

Masters in Social Science (Health Research Ethics)

A two-year, fully-accredited programme for lawyers, social scientists and early-career professionals who want to make a difference through ethical health research.



GAIN EXPERTISE

Build advanced skills in research ethics and ethical decision-making.



MAKE AN IMPACT

Protect participants, strengthen communities and shape policy and practice.



BUILD YOUR NETWORK

Join a community of leading ethics scholars and professionals across Africa.



ADVANCE YOUR CAREER

Open doors to leadership opportunities in research, policy, academics and beyond.

SCHOLARSHIP INCLUDES



Travel support to attend contact sessions in Pietermaritzburg



Tuition and registration fees



Accommodation and living costs during contact sessions



Research expenses



Mentorship and access to leading ethics scholars

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

We welcome applications from:

- ✓ Lawyers
- ✓ Social Scientists
- ✓ Health Professionals
- ✓ Researchers
- ✓ Research Ethics Committee Members
- ✓ Other professionals interested in health research ethics

Both scholarship-funded and self-funded applicants are encouraged to apply.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must:

- ✓ Be resident in South Africa
- ✓ Hold an NQF Level 8 qualification or equivalent
- ✓ Have an interest in health research, ethics, law or policy
- ✓ Have involvement in health research ethics, health-related research or law (or be willing to serve on a Research Ethics Committee)
- ✓ Be able to attend contact sessions in Pietermaritzburg during year 1 (2027)

FUNDING OPTIONS



Fully-funded scholarships available

Competitive scholarships are available for selected South African candidates, subject to funding availability and institutional approval.



Self-funded and externally-sponsored applicants welcome

Applications are also invited from candidates who have access to alternative funding sources, employer sponsorship or external grant support.

HOW TO APPLY



Complete the application form available at: <https://sareti.ukzn.ac.za/application-forms/>



Email application documents to: saretimasters@ukzn.ac.za and harwooda@ukzn.ac.za



Academic conditions will commence upon admission in January 2027.



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LEARN MORE & APPLY

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APPLICATIONS CLOSE

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