

SOUTH AFRICAN ARTHROPLASTY SOCIETY (SAAS) FELLOWSHIP IN HIP AND KNEE ARTHROPLASTY IN EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND.

1. The fellowship will be advertised annually, nationally to all universities as well as to all members of the SAOA and SAAS to make sure all are informed in advance. This should be done by the end of May each year.
2. Entries will close by 15 June each year.
3. Candidates will be vetted and eligible candidates invited for an interview by the end of June or early in July each year.
4. The selection and interview panel will include the Executive committee of the Arthroplasty society (or somebody proxied by him/her)
 - a. President
 - b. Secretary
 - c. Past President / President-Elect
5. The President of the SAAS will negotiate with a trade firm/s for a sponsorship well in advance each year.
6. The fellow has to publish at least one article in our own South African Journal and one in an International Accredited Journal. If his/her submission is not accepted, it will be the prerogative of the Executive committee of the SAAS to accept his/her attempts and indemnify him/her. (Failure to comply will impose a fine of ZAR 20 000 on each count, payable within 3 months after completion of the fellowship).
7. The fellow has to report about his fellowship quarterly to the President (failure to do so will impose a fine of ZAR 20 000 within 3 months after the end of the quarter)
8. The Department of Orthopaedic Surgery of the University of Edinburgh will report biannually to the President
9. The fellow has to present a paper at the biennial SAAS Orthopaedic Conference held in South Africa (upon failure to do so a fine of ZAR 20 000 is payable within a month after the end of the conference)
10. All fines must form part of his/her contract and paid to the SAAS.
11. Signing of a contract to either return to South Africa within 2 months after completion of the fellowship (one year / 6 months) or refund the SAAS in total within 3 months after completion of the fellowship (one year / 6 months)
12. Selection criteria will include:

- 12.1 Only dedicated candidates with CV's and academic records of a high standard will be considered for application to this fellowship. Failure of one subject / year will be an exclusion criterium.
- 12.2 The candidate should be within 9 months prior to and no more than 3 years after completion of his FC Orth SA or similar degree.
- 12.3 The candidate should show his/her interest in arthroplasty by attaching proof of:
Research participation in Arthroplasty and
Arthroplasty courses attended and
Arthroplasty congresses attended
13. There should be no reason a VISA or registration with the General Medical Council in the UK would be denied, i.e. criminal record, previous complaint at HPCSA, previous malpractice claims etc.
14. The applicant should be a member of the SAOA and registered with the HPCSA (Health Professions Council of South Africa) and should be in good standing with these institutions and a good ambassador for our society.
15. At least 10 total joint arthroplasties performed as primary surgeon and 15 as an assistant. This is to demonstrate the candidate has the basic knowledge and skills to perform arthroplasty surgery.
16. Two letters of recommendation, one from the head of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and one from the head of the Arthroplasty Unit at the local teaching institution.

CLOSING DATE 15 JUNE 2018