

Call for Applications: University of Nairobi Research and Innovation Fellowship 2021

As a leading institution of learning and research, the university, through [C4DLab](#) (the Innovation and Incubation Hub) and a strategic industry partner, is running a 6 month-long prestigious [Research & Innovation Fellowship](#).

The competitive fellowship will give 20 select fellows an opportunity to solve real-life local problems while applying the 21st century 4Cs skills and explore human-centered design / Design thinking methodologies. The fellows - together with other curious change makers and a community of research and innovation experts - will engage in *rewarding research, problem solving and innovation projects in financial services*.

To be admitted, the fellow will be required to have satisfied the following requirements:

- Final level undergraduate and Masters-level students (interested PhD students will also be considered)
- Students from the following Schools/faculties/departments: Computer Science, Business, Development Studies, Sociology, Psychology, Anthropology, Law, Actuarial Science, Economics, Engineering, and Agriculture
- Curious about research and innovation and particularly application of Design Thinking to solving real-life local problems.
- Submit evidence of challenges that one has attempted to solve, CV, practical work portfolio and a motivation why your application should be considered.
- Available to commit close to a 6 month-long program allocating an average of 15 hours per week to the fellowship program.
- Demonstrated passion and interest in problem-solving and innovation challenges.

The select fellows will undertake a deep immersion into four pillars that shall prepare them as researchers and innovators. The four pillars are:

- 21st century [4 C's](#) skills of Communication, Collaboration, Critical Thinking and Creativity.
- Principles and practices of Design Thinking, Innovation, and Problem Based Learning (fundamentals)
- Multi-disciplinary practical problem-solving.
- Practical research techniques – data collection, surveys, Focus Group Discussions, observation, and contextual interviews.

Application Deadline: 22nd January, 2021

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