

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

National Research Foundation – South African Institute for Aquatic Biodiversity

ABOUT US

The South African Institute for Aquatic Biodiversity (NRF-SAIAB) is a national research facility supported by the National Research Foundation (NRF). We study the full range of aquatic environments, from deep ocean waters to inland freshwater systems.

Our research focuses on ecology and conservation, exploring how biodiversity at the genetic and species levels connects with the environment. The NRF-SAIAB also contributes to South Africa's *Operation Phakisa* programs, which aim to grow the country's Biodiversity Economy and Blue Economy.

Strong support from the Department of Science, Technology and Innovation and the NRF has enabled NRF-SAIAB to develop advanced research platforms that allow us to work in a wide range of environments and made us a leader in aquatic biodiversity research.

'All our work supports High Education in training and development of the next generation of aquatic scientists and environmental managers

Margaret Smith Library

WHAT WE DO AND WHY IT MATTERS

The Margaret Smith (MS) Library is a special academic library that focuses only on fish and aquatic biodiversity literature. It is part of the Biodiversity Heritage Library (BHL), an international project that digitizes and shares biodiversity books and journals online freely. To date, the Library has contributed 12 titles to the BHL platform.

The MS Library works closely with Rhodes University Library (RUL) and is considered its 'sister' library. Students and researchers from the Department of Ichthyology and Fisheries Science use our resources regularly. We also have access to all the academic databases that RUL subscribes to.

In addition, we are members of IAMS LIC—a global network of aquatic science libraries and through this network, we share information and resources with libraries around the world.

APPROPRIATE QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor of Library and Information Science
- Archives and Records Management

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AT THE MARGARET SMITH LIBRARY

- Librarian: Manages the library and its collection, helps users find information, and acquire obscure aquatic biodiversity literature.
- Archivist: Preserves rare books, historical documents, and other special materials related to fish and aquatic science.





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