



SASES is calling for applications for the 2018 travelling fellowship program sponsored by Covidien.

The fellowship will be based at the Amsterdam Medical Centre, where the candidate will be supervised by Professor Willem Bemelman, a world expert in minimally invasive surgery. It is envisaged that the trainee would spend at least 12 weeks focusing on advanced laparoscopic colorectal surgery.

This fellowship is specifically suited to applicants currently in a colorectal fellowship training program or with acknowledged interest and expertise in colorectal surgery.

The candidates is encouraged to participate in a research project during the duration of their stay. The language is Dutch, but English is widely spoken. Whilst reading notes and reports is straightforward, it may still be difficult to follow conversations. It is therefore helpful that the candidate be fluent in Afrikaans. The candidate will be joining one of the foremost departments in Europe and will be expected to be a conscientious and impressive representative of South African surgery.

The sponsorship entails covering the costs of travel and accommodation whilst in Amsterdam.

Regular feedback will be required from both the fellow and Prof Bemelman to ensure continuation of funding throughout the duration of the fellowship. The successful candidate will be expected to provide feedback on their trip in the form of a comprehensive report to be posted on the SASES webpage and a presentation to be delivered at the next SASES congress.

Applicants should apply to SASES secretariat at info@sases.org AND to eugenio.panieri@uct.ac.za

Application details

Deadline: 28 February 2018

Requirements: SASES member, registered as a General Surgeon in South Africa (HPCSA), currently in a Colorectal Surgery fellowship programme or recently completed the Certificate in Gastroenterology of the College of Surgeons of South Africa. Must have completed the laparoscopic suturing skills course approved by SASES, or have done so before departure.

*Must be willing to travel for a period of 3 months
Knowledge of Afrikaans helpful*

Previous clinical exposure: Colorectal surgery

Submission requirements: Motivation letter
Detailed proposal, including cost estimates, of the intended visit
Updated CV, summary of laparoscopic experience
Names of 2 referees, letter from HOD if applicable



SASES is calling for applications for the 2018 travelling fellowship program sponsored by Storz.

The fellowship will be based at the Klinikum St. Elisabeth in Straubing, Germany, where the candidate will be supervised by Professor Markus Waltz, a world expert in minimally invasive surgery. It is envisaged that the trainee would spend at 1-2 months focusing on advanced laparoscopic surgery.

The fellowship is intended for a recently qualified general surgeon who intends to further his/her laparoscopic surgical skills. Surgeons in private practice, or in a general surgical position in state or academic hospital are encouraged to apply.

The candidate will be expected to be a conscientious and impressive representative of South African surgery.

The sponsorship covers the costs of travel and accommodation for the duration of the Fellowship.

Regular feedback will be required from both the fellow and Prof Waltz to ensure continuation of funding throughout the duration of the fellowship.

Successful candidates will be expected to provide feedback on their trip in the form of a comprehensive report to be posted on the SASES webpage and a presentation to be delivered at the next SASES congress.

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Application details

Deadline: 28 February 2018

Conditions: SASES member (paid up)
Registered as a General Surgeon in South Africa (HPCSA)
Must be willing to travel for a period of 1-2 months

Previous clinical exposure: Laparoscopic general surgery

Submission requirements: Motivation letter
Detailed proposal, including cost estimates, of the intended visit
Updated CV; Summary of laparoscopic experience
Names of 2 referees; letter from HOD, if applicable



SASES is calling for applications for the 2018 travelling fellowship program sponsored by Ethicon.

The visiting fellow will be attending the University Hospital in Leuven Belgium, where he/ she will be working in the department of Abdominal Surgery under the supervision of Professor Andre D'Hoore.

The hospital has 42 operating theatres with 100 ICU beds available. The abdominal unit has 19 elective theatre slates per week, and performs close to 5000 surgical procedures per annum with roughly 40% of them being done laparoscopically. The spectrum of surgery covers all major groups of surgical disciplines (upper GI, colorectal, bariatric, endometriosis, abdominal wall surgery etc.)

The fellow will attend for a period of 3 months duration. Prof D'Hoore will personally oversee the integration and involvement of the fellow within the unit. There will be an opportunity to become involved in a local research project. The language is Flemish, which is closer to Afrikaans than Dutch. Whilst reading notes and reports is straightforward, it may still be difficult to follow conversations. It is therefore a requirement that the candidate be fluent in Afrikaans. The candidate will be joining one of the foremost departments in Europe and will be expected to be a conscientious and impressive representative of South African surgery.

The sponsorship entails covering the costs of travel and accommodation whilst in Belgium.

Applicants will be required to enter into a contractual agreement with Ethicon endosurgery for the duration of the fellowship. Regular feedback will be required from both the fellow and Prof D'Hoore to ensure continuation of funding throughout the duration of the fellowship. The successful applicant will be expected to provide a written report about the fellowship, and a presentation at the next SASES congress.

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Application details

Deadline: 28 February 2018

*Availability: SASES member, registered as a General Surgeon in South Africa (HPCSA)
Must be willing to travel within the same year, for a period of 3 months
Knowledge of Afrikaans helpful*

Clinical exposure: Wide range of laparoscopic procedures, with HPB & colorectal slant

*Information needed: Motivation letter, detailed proposal, with intended dates of travel
Updated CV
Names of 2 referees; Letter from HOD if applicable
Summary of laparoscopic experience*