



SOUTHERN AFRICA MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES ASSOCIATION

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## KOVALEVSKAIA RESEARCH GRANTS FOR FEMALE MATHEMATICIANS IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

**About the Award:** The Kovalevskia Research Grants (<https://masamu.auburn.edu/pm/kovawards>) is an initiative of the Kovalevskia Fund (<http://kovfund.org>) and SAMSA, within the Masamu Program (<https://masamu.auburn.edu>), aiming at encouraging upcoming female mathematicians from the sub-Saharan Africa region. The grants are awarded to female candidates from the region who have demonstrated outstanding work with respect to research and publications in pure or applied mathematics.

**Application Deadline:** 31 May, 2020

**Who Can Apply?** Female mathematicians from SAMSA member institutions (i.e. institutions regularly participating in SAMSA activities) who should show commitment to staying in the region and are in any of the following categories:

- Doctoral students
- Postdoctoral students
- Lecturers and senior lecturers (within 5 years from completion of Ph.D.)
- Maximum age limit of 45 years by 31 December of each year of application

**The Grants:** Two grants, valued at US \$2,500.00 each, shall be awarded every two years – one in pure mathematics, and one in applied mathematics. The award duration is two years and covers a wide range of scientific activities, including:

- Research visits that foster collaboration
- Tuition (bridging money)
- Conference attendance
- Books, software, and other research-related equipment and supplies

**How to Apply:** Applications may be submitted online at [aub.ie/kovawards2020](http://aub.ie/kovawards2020). A complete application consists of the following:

1. A description (up to 5 pages) of the proposed research activities, including a timeline with specific milestones and expected completion dates, and how the Kovalevskia Research Grant Award will make a difference
2. Budget estimate and budget justification explaining how the grant funds will be utilized
3. Two page curriculum vitae
4. Two letters of recommendation to be submitted by the referee at [aub.ie/kovletters2020](http://aub.ie/kovletters2020) containing the following: i) capacity in which the referee knows the applicant and for how long; ii) applicant's academic achievement and potential; iii) ranking of the applicant among peers; iv) suitability for the Award.

**Presentation of Awards:** Presentation of awards shall take place at the 2020 SAMSA Annual Conference to be hosted by Eduardo Mondlane University in Maputo, Mozambique from 24-27 November, 2020.