

Curtin University

PhD position in Global Geodynamic Modelling

The Earth Dynamics Research Group at Curtin University has an open PhD position for modelling global geodynamics using supercomputers. The candidate will join a diverse team of researchers working on supercontinent cycles and global geodynamics led by ARC Australian Laureate Fellow Prof. Z.X. Li, within the School of Earth and Planetary Sciences. The available position is 3-4 years full-time with a successful applicant being offered a competitive scholarship stipend.

This project aims to develop 4D global to plate-scale geodynamic models utilising the Pawsey Supercomputer Centre located in Perth, Australia (https://www.pawsey.org.au/), and in collaboration with researchers at Peking University. It aims to model the interactions between plate tectonics and mantle geodynamics during supercontinent cycles. The project may also explore the relationships between supercontinent cycles, sea level changes, and core evolution.

Requirements:

Applicants must have either 1st class Honours (or equivalent gualification with research experience) or a MSc in the Earth sciences or other relevant fields.

Applicants should meet University English Language Requirements (available here).

Experience in computational modelling of earth systems will be beneficial.

How to express your interest:

Please contact Dr Josh Beardmore (josh.beardmore@curtin.edu.au) if you are interested in developing an application. Please include the following:

- A curriculum vitae and a copy of any publications (if applicable).
- Details of BSc (Hons.) and MSc including: copies of transcripts showing lists of courses with grades and the abstract of your thesis (if applicable).
- A brief statement about your research interests, motivation and skills.
- Names and contact details of three references that may be contacted for a recommendation letter.

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