

ASCENSION ISLAND GOVERNMENT

INTERNSHIP - CONSERVATION & FISHERIES DIRECTORATE

Would you like the opportunity to join the Ascension Island Conservation and Fisheries Directorate on a full-time basis from October 2021 to October 2022.

Ascension Island hosts a unique assemblage of animals and plants in a dramatic volcanic landscape. It is home to one of the world's largest nesting populations of green turtles, over a million seabirds, plant species found nowhere else on earth and a marine environment that abounds with fish.

Protecting, monitoring and managing this amazing biodiversity is a great challenge and we are looking for hard-working, enthusiastic people to assist us. You will work across all aspects of the department and take part in a range of tasks on the island including monitoring turtle, land crab and seabird populations, non-native species removal, maintaining the National Park and Marine Protected Area, endemic plant restoration, fisheries monitoring and education and outreach programmes.

We'd like to hear from anyone interested in being involved in our conservation work who has preferably lived and worked in small isolated communities before and is willing to work hard as part of a small team. We are hoping to offer a 12 month position from October 2021 to October 2022 (though please be aware that the timing could be affected by any new COVID-19 travel restrictions).

For the successful candidates we will provide:

- One return flight between the UK or St Helena and Ascension
- Rent free accommodation, with electricity and water allowances (Shared bungalow with other project staff: private bedroom, shared kitchen, bathroom and communal areas)
- Internships are unsalaried, but a contribution of £120 per month for subsistence will be paid to each intern.

The successful intern will be responsible for all other costs incurred and are required to arrange and pay for full medical and travel insurance coverage for the duration of their stay. This insurance must include medical evacuation and cover for COVID-19 related illness and disruption.

This appointment will be subject to:

- Satisfactory Employment References
- Enhanced Criminal Records Check
- Satisfactory Medical Clearance

Closing Date: Friday 3 August 2021

Interviews: Early August, by Skype if off island

To apply visit: https://www.ascension.gov.ac/lifestyle-and-employment/working-here/

For more information about AIGCD, or about living and working on Ascension Island, please visit the official website at www.ascension.gov.ac/conservation or find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/AscensionIslandConservation