

ASCENSION ISLAND GOVERNMENT

INTERNSHIP - CONSERVATION & FISHERIES DIRECTORATE

Are you a passionate early-career conservationist or recent graduate seeking hands-on experience in one of the world's most unique island ecosystems? The Ascension Island Government is offering a full-time, 12-month conservation internship from November 2025 to October 2026.

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 offering a 12-month position from beginning of November 2025 to end of October 2026.

For the successful candidates we will provide:

- One return flight between the UK or St Helena and Ascension and reasonable travel expenses within the UK to Brize Norton if required.
- Rent free accommodation, including electricity and water allowances (Shared bungalow with other project staff: private bedroom, shared kitchen, bathroom and communal areas).
- While this internship is unsalaried, each intern will receive a monthly food allowance of £320 to help with living costs.
- Necessary medical and dental care while in Ascension.

This appointment will be subject to:

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

Closing Date: 21 August 2025

Interviews: Late August/Early September (by MS Teams 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

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