



UNIVERSITY OF MAURITIUS

VACANCY

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the post of **Research Assistant (Full-Time)**, to work on the research project entitled "**Measuring the ecosystem co-benefits provided by seagrass ecosystems and their photophysiology around the Republic of Mauritius**", for a contractual period of **four (4) months**, renewable for two (2) additional months, subject to the progress of the project.

Qualifications Required:

- Bachelor's degree in Marine Environmental Sciences, Marine Science, Marine Ecology or any other relevant field of marine science (at least a 2:1)
- MSc and/or PhD degree in any of the above fields will be an advantage

Profile

Candidates must have:

- Advanced Open Water Diving certificate or higher
- Very good ability to work with GIS, and R or Python
- Research and communication skills
- Analytical skills and adequate knowledge in seagrass taxonomy and distribution around Mauritius and Rodrigues, and methods of seagrass primary productivity measurement
- Ability to carry out laboratory work
- Previous experience and ability to work with marine organisms
- Ability to write reports

Responsibilities & Duties

- Assist in experimental design
- Conduct field surveys and collect samples by snorkeling and diving
- Conduct laboratory works
- Analyze results and write reports
- Any other cognate duties

Remuneration

A monthly all-inclusive allowance of Rs 27,400/-, plus travelling expenses by bus.

Duration of Contract

Appointment will be offered for an initial contractual period of four (4) months, renewable if required. The proposed starting date will be Monday 10 February 2025.

Mode of Application

Letter of application together with a detailed *Curriculum Vitae* and photocopies of qualifications, birth certificate, marriage certificate (if applicable), SCUBA diving certificate, statistics course certificate, testimonials, and equivalence of qualifications (where applicable) should reach **the Dean of the Faculty of Science (Attention: Dr Deepeeka Kaullysing), University of Mauritius, Réduit**, or email address (de.kaullysing@uom.ac.mu) and copied to (deanfos@uom.ac.mu) by **Monday 31 January 2025, at latest**.

The envelope should be clearly marked "**Research Assistant for the project *Measuring the ecosystem co-benefits provided by seagrass ecosystems and their photophysiology around the Republic of Mauritius***" on the top right-hand corner.

Applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

The University reserves the right:

- to call for interview only the most appropriately and best qualified applicants
- not to make any appointment as a result of this advertisement.

20 January 2025

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Faculty of Science