UNIVERSITY OF MAURITIUS

VACANCY

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for one post of **Trainee Project Assistant (Full time)**, to work on the research project entitled "Abandoned, lost and discarded fishing gear (ALDFG) in Mauritius and Rodrigues Islands" for a period of 12 months.

Qualifications Required:

 A Bachelor Honors degree in Marine Environmental Sciences, Marine Science and Technology or any other relevant field of science awarded by a recognized body.

Profile

Candidates must have:

- Good research and communication skills.
- Analytical skills and adequate knowledge in the relevant field of research.
- Good knowledge of interview techniques and questionnaire surveys.
- Good interpersonal skills to undertake group meetings and carry out interviews with fishers and divers.
- Skills to work on site in Mauritius and Rodrigues islands, and be available to work outside normal office hours for surveys and interviews.
- Competencies to conduct surveys, collect data, and analyze data using appropriate statistical tools.
- Adequate knowledge in qualitative data analysis.
- Hold a driver's license.

Responsibilities & Duties

- Carry out scientific literature review on the topic.
- Carry out surveys at study sites on ALDFG leakages into the marine environment.
- Designing, testing and implementing questionnaire surveys.
- Organizing and participating in discussion groups with stakeholders, fishers and divers.
- Interviewing fishers, divers, and other stakeholders.
- Travel to study sites in Mauritius and Rodrigues Island to undertake surveys.
- Recording accurate data on survey sheets on site.
- Compilation of data, data analyses, reporting of results and assistance in writing reports.
- Any other cognate duties.

Remuneration

A monthly all-inclusive allowance of Rs 13,500 plus approved salary compensations and travelling expenses by bus.

Duration of Contract

Appointment will be offered for an initial contractual period of three (3) months, renewable up to one (1) year. The proposed starting date will be upon signature of the contract and start of May 2025.

Mode of Application

A letter of application together with a detailed *Curriculum Vitae* and scanned copies of qualifications, birth certificate, marriage certificate (if applicable), testimonials and equivalence of qualifications (where applicable) should be submitted <u>in one copy</u> to the **Dean, Faculty of Science, University of Mauritius, Réduit** [Email: deanfos@uom.ac.mu] and to the attention of Dr. S. Mattan-Moorgawa, Principal Investigator, Faculty of Science, University of Mauritius, Réduit [Email: s.moorgawa@uom.ac.mu] by Monday 21 April 2025 by 10:00 hours latest.

The envelope, if any, should be clearly marked "Trainee Project Assistant for the Abandoned, lost and discarded fishing gear (ALDFG) in Mauritius and Rodrigues Islands" 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
- to conduct a written and aptitude test as and when required

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11 April 2025