

***Volunteering with Ascension Island Government Conservation Department***

***The goals and scope of work***

We are tasked with conserving the terrestrial and marine wildlife and natural environment on Ascension.

***The scope of the work that the volunteers would be expected to do***

Volunteers could work on a wide range of jobs - data collection in the field (both terrestrial and marine), public awareness, working with children and youth groups, maintaining Green Mountain National Park.

***Why volunteering for your organisation would be of value to the student(s)***

Students would be exposed to a range of activities that often would not be available to them unless it was the area in which they specialised. The research they will be doing is original, there is little data about the wildlife on their island, and therefore the data they collect is often the first data collected. There is the opportunity to develop ideas and skills, and to have input into many new and exciting projects such as the establishment of the first ever National Protected Area.

***An indication of the sort of qualities and skills that the volunteer would need to be able to take up this position***

Volunteers need to be self-motivated and independent. They need to be physically fit as much of the data collection is in areas that involve long walks. They need to be competent data collectors. They need to have the ability to work, communicate with and inspire people from all walks of life.

***A breakdown of what the expected costs to the volunteer would be and details on what your organisation can provide to reduce costs (e.g. board and/or lodgings, internal travel costs etc.)***

Flight:	£950
Accommodation:	£12 a night (self catering - this is the reduced rate for volunteers)
Food:	£250 per month (minimum)
Insurance:	All visitors to Ascension must be covered by medical insurance (including medivac)

Transport for work will be provided - hire car available for personal use at £20 per day.

***The dates when you are requiring volunteers from and to***

Whenever they are available for however long they are available

***A name and address from which to acquire further information***

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