



**ASCENSION ISLAND
GOVERNMENT**

Marine Protected Area Engagement and Development Officer

Total Package value up to £22,756 pa

(comprising salary of £15,478 per annum + allowances and housing)

One-year Fixed Term Contract

Are you a natural communicator with a passion for marine conservation? We are looking for someone with experience in public engagement to help us raise awareness of the Ascension Island Marine Protected Area (MPA) and increase the social and economic benefits that flow from it. You would be an integral part of our Marine Conservation Team and help us to strengthen ties within our local community as well as reach international audiences. The Ascension Island MPA was designated in August 2019 and is one of the largest areas of protected ocean in the world. This is an opportunity for you to work with the Ascension Island Government, local community and international stakeholders to realise the huge potential of the MPA for global marine conservation.

We are looking for someone who combines a strong background in education, public relations, marketing or social science with experience in marine conservation. You will have excellent communication skills and be able to connect with a wide range of audiences using a variety of different methods. You must be highly self-motivated and have a proven track record of building partnerships and identifying development opportunities. Ascension Island is a challenging environment to live and work in, so you will need to be resilient and adaptable in order to thrive.

We are offering a one-year, single status, contract with a salary of £15,478.00 per year (taxable in Ascension). You will also receive the following benefits and allowances:

- Rent free, furnished, single accommodation valued at £1,200 per year (taxable as a benefit in kind)
- A food allowance of £3,780 per year (taxable and paid with salary each month)
- A non-taxable electricity allowance paid in kind worth up to £938 per year
- A non-taxable water allowance paid in kind worth up to £1,360 per year
- 30 days annual holiday (with additional 9 days public holidays)
- One return flight between the UK or St Helena and Ascension, on initial appointment and on completion of contract
- Free primary dental and medical care
- Free annual travel insurance

The appointment will be subject to:

- Enhanced DBS Check
- Employment References
- Medical and Dental Clearance

Closing Date: 20th November 2024

Interviews: Week commencing 25th November 2024

To for more information and to apply for this role, visit: <https://www.ascension.gov.ac/lifestyle-and-employment/working-here/>

For more information about the Ascension Island Government Conservation and Fisheries Directorate, 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 or email: recruitment@ascension.gov.ac