

UK Overseas Territories Environment Programme (OTEP) Fellowships-

MSc in Conservation and Biodiversity

We are pleased to announce that three funded positions are available at the Centre for Ecology and Conservation, University of Exeter in Cornwall, for applicants from the UK Overseas Territories to study for a one year taught *MSc in Conservation and Biodiversity*. The positions are available from 29th September 2008.

The fellowships are funded by the Overseas Territories Environment Programme (OTEP) - a joint initiative of the UK's Department for International Development and Foreign and Commonwealth Office, in partnership with the UK Overseas Territories.

Applicants must have a first degree in a relevant subject area (this does not necessarily need to be biology) and will be currently employed by a government agency or non-governmental organisation in one of the UK Overseas Territories, or have a position to take up on obtaining this post-graduate qualification.

A typical successful applicant will be established in a career, with a track record of excellence and achievement, and a prospect of becoming a leader in the field of conservation and/or environmental management. Applicants should be able to show at interview and/or through references that they possess the personal qualities to benefit from an OTEP Fellowship and to use it to succeed in their chosen career. They will also be committed to applying the new skills and knowledge acquired in the UK to sustainable development either in their home territories or in the UK Overseas Territories more widely.

The degree course will be taught at the University of Exeter's new Campus in Cornwall, England, where students will be based from late September 2008 until February 2009, before returning to conduct a research project in their home country. Candidates will then return to the UK to write up their dissertation (July-Sept 2009).

Each OTEP Fellowship will cover all tuition fees, travel to and from the UK to undertake the course and field work, plus an allowance towards accommodation and subsistence whilst in the UK. Applicants will need to fund their living expenses for the period during which they conduct their field research project.

Further information on the course is available at:

<http://www.uec.ac.uk/biology/programmes.htm>

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or from Dr Annette Broderick <mailto:A.C.Broderick@exeter.ac.uk>

Applications can be made online through the web site. Applicants should also contact Dr Broderick to note their application/interest.

*Closing date for completed applications is 1st March 2008. *

*Note: *The relevant UK Overseas Territories are: Anguilla, Ascension Island, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Falkland Islands, Gibraltar, Montserrat, Pitcairn Islands, St Helena, Tristan da Cunha, Turks and Caicos Islands.