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UNIVERSITY OF GALWAY



HR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

Research Assistant – OCEAN CITIZEN project
School of Natural Sciences and Ryan Institute
Ref. No. 010305

JOB ADVERTISEMENT

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for a full-time, fixed term position as a Research Assistant with the [School of Natural Sciences](#) and [Ryan Institute](#) at the University of Galway, Ireland.

This position is funded by Horizon Europe and is available from June 2024 for a period of 2 years, 4 months.

The position is part of the OCEAN CITIZEN project <https://oceancitizen.eu/about/>, co-funded by the European Union, under Horizon Europe Research and Innovation programme, Grant agreement No. 101093910. OCEAN CITIZEN is working with marine ecosystem regeneration protocols, involving teams applying habitat creation and restoration approaches in several locations. [Prof. Louise Allcock](#) and [Prof. Mark Johnson](#) will be looking at changes in fish populations around regeneration sites, with a particular focus on Tenerife.

Salary: Research Assistant salary scale €31,150 - €41,033 per annum, (subject to the project's funding limitations), and pro rata for shorter and/or part-time contracts.

The default position for all new public sector appointments is the 1st point of the salary scale. This may be reviewed, and consideration afforded to appointment at a higher point on the payscale (subject to the project's funding limitations), where evidence of prior years' equivalent experience is accepted in determining placement on the scale above point 1, subject to the maximum of the scale. ([Research Salary Scales - University of Galway](#))

Closing date for receipt of applications is 17:00 (Irish Time) on 30th April 2024. It will not be possible to consider applications received after the closing date.

Interviews are planned to be held on 16th May 2024

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Description:

The successful candidate will participate in fieldwork, including maintenance and deployment of baited remote underwater video (BRUV) systems. The role also involves collecting data from video recordings, maintaining records and drafting reports. The position holder will communicate with the wider consortium, coordinating fieldwork and participating in outreach and joint activities where needed.



Duties:

- Provide assistance in conducting research, including planning, organizing, conducting, and communicating research within the overall scope of the project.
- Present information on research progress and outcomes to others responsible for the research project.
- Attend and contribute to relevant meetings/conferences.
- Keep appropriate records as directed and in line with funder/University policy.
- Work under the direction of the Principal Investigators. Plan and manage own day-to-day research activity within this framework & direction.
- Support and, where appropriate, co-supervise the work of undergraduate students e.g. Final Year Project Students.
- Continue to update knowledge and develop skills.
- Any other duties assigned commensurate to this level of post.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Essential Requirements:

- Primary degree (level 8) in Marine Science, Zoology or similar relevant discipline.
- Data handling skills
- Communication skills (written and verbal)
- Teamwork experience
- Use of research software, e.g., R

Desirable Requirements:

- Experience with video analysis
- Experience with underwater cameras and/or BRUV systems
- Ability to speak Spanish
- Fieldwork experience

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Continuing Professional Development/Training:

Researchers at University of Galway are encouraged to avail of a range of training and development opportunities designed to support their personal career development plans. University of Galway provides continuing professional development supports for all researchers seeking to build their own career pathways either within or beyond academia. Researchers are encouraged to engage with our Researcher Development Centre (RDC) upon commencing employment - see [HERE](#) for further information.

Further Information/Links

- **To apply:** [Jobs - University of Galway](#). Applications must be submitted online.
 - [Internal Applicant - How to apply guide](#)



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- [External Applicant - How to apply guide](#)
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- [University's Strategic Plan](#)
- [Working in Research at University of Galway](#)
- [Moving to Ireland \(Euraxess\)](#)
- We reserve the right to re-advertise or extend the closing date for this post.
- University of Galway is an equal opportunities employer.
- All positions are recruited in line with Open, Transparent, Merit (OTM) and Competency based recruitment.



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