



Title:	Community Conservation & PACE Officer
Reports to:	UCF Founding Trustee
Working Hours:	Full-time on the UK Aid Match Project
Location:	Murchison Falls National Park, Uganda
Salary:	Equivalent of £17,058 per annum
Date:	15 th October 2020 – 30 th September 2023

Overview:

The Community Conservation & PACE Officer post will be created as the key field-based implementing officer for the project entitled “Wildlife Protection and sustainable livelihoods for communities neighbouring Murchison Falls Protected Area, Northern Uganda,” which is being funded by the UK government and Tusk Trust. S/he will have lead responsibility for the Tusk Trust-UCF components of the project, which include vocational training scholarships, implementation of the Pan African Conservation Education (PACE) programme, and development of community-park relations with the Uganda Wildlife Authority.

S/he will be contracted for the three years of the project and should have extensive experience of field-based conservation and community development work, as well as experience in implementing large grant-funded programmes.

Accountability

The Community Conservation & PACE Officer reports directly to UCF's Founding Trustee. The UK Aid Match funded project is implemented in partnership with Send A Cow and Tusk Trust. The Community Conservation & PACE Officer will work directly with the Project Officer, the Project Manager and Pacer Vocational College.

Duties & Responsibilities

Project Implementation

- Facilitate 60x vocational training scholarships at the Pacer Vocational College
- Oversee the development of a PACE demonstration plot at Pacer Vocational College

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- Deliver PACE outreach programme to schools around NW MFNP
- Coordinate school education trips into MFNP with UWA
- Produce materials and t-shirts for the school visits
- Facilitate community-park committee meetings
- Ensure project funds are treated with integrity and expenditure is incurred in line with the project budget
- Ensure that correct health and safety standards are observed when carrying out the above duties, applying risk assessments when appropriate and acting accordingly.

Communications and Partner and stakeholder relationship management

- Compile and submit project and programme financial and narrative reports in a timely manner
- Participate in appropriate forums to share learning and best practice
- Liaise closely with Project Manager
- Cultivate strong relationships with key stakeholders
- Create and maintain a working culture of open and honest dialogue between all parties
- Uphold UCF and Tusk Trust's strong reputation

Experience and Skills

Essential

- Five or more years' field-based experience in conservation and community development
- Experience in working with local communities concerning community-based natural resource management
- Experience in managing large-grant funded programmes
- Relevant university degree
- Ability to work as part of a team
- Excellent interpersonal communication skills
- Fluent in English

Desirable

- Additional relevant qualifications
- Knowledge of NW Uganda and ability to speak the local language