



1. Develop opportunities for University of Reading students to do research projects in the UKOTs

- » September 2011- call for submission of **student project proposals**
- » Underwhelming response (mostly)
- » Good project ideas from Jersey, with interest from a student here at Reading
- » **How to improve response?**
 - > From the UKOTs?
 - > From Reading students?



2. Develop opportunities for UKOT/CD students to study in the UK

- » October + November- **UoR course calls** with an attached list of biodiversity conservation related BSc and MSc courses
- » Some interest from Montserrat
- » Difficulty comes from lack of distance learning option/funding to study abroad
- » **What more can be done to encourage UKOT/CD students to study in the UK?**



3. Develop opportunities for UKOT/CD students to undertake internships at the University of Reading

- » October- **Internships Opportunities** call
- » Outlined the **benefits** of taking an internship and what would be required of potential interns
- » Tentative interest from Anguilla, although no further contact
- » **What could be done to make taking an internship a more easily accessible, popular option?**
 - > Better communication to potential candidates?
 - > Is there funding available?





4. Explore the possibility of affiliating the Steering Group to the University of Reading

- » Main purpose: to give Steering Group members greater access to the University's facilities, namely **online journals**
- » Unfortunately any affiliation between the Steering Group and the University will **not** lead to access to library facilities
- » Usefulness of affiliation thrown into question
- » **Highlights advantages of joining the University as a student or intern**



5. Develop opportunities for UKOT/CDs skills training in research publication

- » This is still a little-used opportunity
- » The University may be able to provide valuable insight into **project design/scientific methodology**
- » Less useful at the data analysis/writing stages
- » **Awareness of the opportunity must be raised**



6. Develop and promote the UoR as a one-stop-shop for OTs/CDs to link into UK academia

- » No direct action as of yet, however, action under the other outputs contributes to this aim





7. Develop a website

- » Surveyed the responses from the Steering Group to a call for requirements of a Training and Research Programme Website
- » Created a draft site
- » Now translating into a real site using web-design software
- » Need to acquire a domain name and hosting space before it can be published
- » Aim to attach a forum to this site that will allow Steering Group members to exchange advice and useful documents relating to biodiversity conservation



8. Review research priorities and work with the OTs/CDs to apply for funding to address one or more of these

- » Priorities identified in the Work Programme of Jan '10-March '12 and will be reviewed again this January (2012).

9. Explore the potential for similar links with the University of Exeter

- » For now, we will contact them if there is a specific marine ecology question from the OTs/CDs, since this is Exeter's speciality.



Website pages: Home Page (background



Forum Page

Useful Links Page

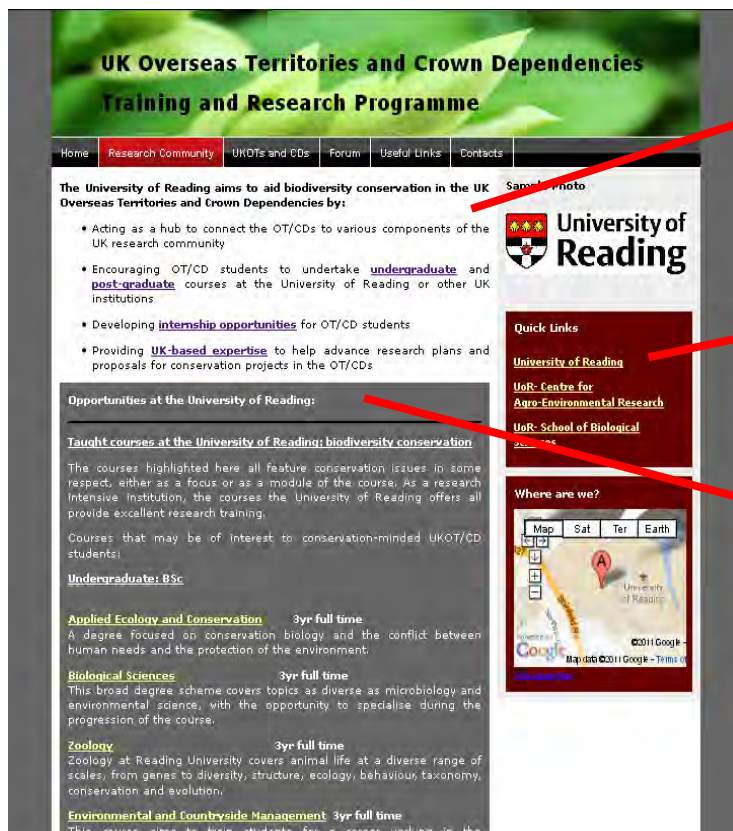
Contact Page

Description of the aim of the Training and Research Programme

Outputs of the MoU

Guide to pages

Website pages: Research Community



Description of how the University of Reading aims to contribute to the Programme

Useful links to the UoR website

Opportunities at UoR, including list of conservation biology related courses and information on internship.

Website pages: UKOTs and CDs Page



UK Overseas Territories and Crown Dependencies Training and Research Programme

Home | Research Community | **UKOTs and CDs** | Forum | Useful Links | Contacts

The UK's 14 Overseas Territories and 3 Crown Dependencies are rich in biological and geological diversity, hosting many rare and endemic species of plant and animal. Although there is a need to carry out baseline survey, monitoring and research into the conservation of the OTs and CDs, the territories themselves have relatively small populations and as a result often lack the expertise to tackle these issues independently.

The UKOT/CDs Training and Research Programme aims to provide the territories with the means to carry out vital research into biodiversity conservation by linking them with other territories and academic institutions in the UK.

Opportunities in the Overseas Territories and Crown Dependencies

Research Projects

If you are developing a research project in an Overseas Territory or Crown Dependency and would like advice, or would like to advertise the project to a student, please see the [Forum](#) for details.

Research Priorities

For a review of the most recent research priorities established by the UKOT/CDs Steering Group, see the [JNCC's Training and Research pages](#).

If you are interested in creating a research project that addresses one of these priorities, please get in touch with the [coordinator](#) of the Programme, who will direct you to the relevant Steering Group member.

Quick Links

- [JNCC's UKOT/CDs Pages](#)
- [News-Bulletin](#)
- [Forum](#)

Gannets on Guernsey by Vic Froome

UKOTs/CDs Training and Research Programme | Website Templates by [templatemo.com](#)

Background on the need for conservation training and research in the UKOTs and CDs

Useful links to the JNCC website

Opportunities in the UKOTs and CDs, including link to Forum (for posting project proposals and sharing information) and link to research priorities at JNCC website

Link: www.reading.ac.uk/caer/UKOT