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Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the post of **Trainee Project Assistant** (Full-Time/Part Time), to work on the research project entitled "Fermented Underutilised Fruits: A potential health solution for the Mauritian population", for an initial period of 3 months renewable for a further period.

Qualifications Required:

• A degree in Agriculture, Biotechnology, Applied Biochemistry, Food Science or Microbiology.

Profile:

Candidates must:

- Have research and communication skills.
- Possess analytical skills and adequate knowledge in the field of biotechnology
- Have practical knowledge on microbiological techniques
- Be computer literate and have good inter-personal skills
- Be pro-active and resourceful

Responsibilities & Duties (Inter alia)

- To conduct phytochemical and biological screening of fruits
- To investigate the effect of fermentation on the bioactivity and nutraceutical properties of selected fruits
- To analyze and report results of the experiments

Remuneration

A monthly all-inclusive allowance of Rs13,000/-, plus travelling expenses by bus. Salary will be adjusted for part time contract.

Duration of Contract

Appointment will be offered for an initial period of 3 months. The proposed starting date will be **26 January 2022.**

Mode of Application

Letter of application together with a detailed *Curriculum Vitae* and photocopies of qualifications, birth certificate, marriage certificate (if applicable), testimonials and equivalence of qualifications (where applicable) as well as a motivation letter should reach **the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture** (Attention: *Dr J Govinden Soulange*, University of Mauritius, Réduit, OR email address (*joyces@uom.ac.mu*) and copied to (*deanfoa@uom.ac.mu*) by <u>21 January 2022</u> at latest.

The envelope should be clearly marked "Trainee Project Assistant for the project: "Fermented Underutilised Fruits: A potential health solution for the Mauritian population" on the top right hand corner.

Applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

The University reserves the right:

- to call for interview only the most appropriately and best qualified applicants
- not to make any appointment as a result of this advertisement.
- to conduct a written/aptitude test as and when required.

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