

**Volunteer position with a South African NPO/NGO: assisting with the coordination of a Learning Village which hosts researchers working towards the restoration of degraded lands and conservation of natural resources across the Baviaanskloof Mega Reserve, South Africa**

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**Organization: Living Lands**

**Requirement:** dynamism, flexibility, organized and good social skills.

**Proposed period:** from June 2011, for a period of 6 months – 1 year

**Tasks:** Manage the facilities at the PRESENCE Learning Village, assist with field trip logistics, vehicle maintenance and support events at the Learning Village lapa.

Over the last 3 years the PRESENCE Learning Village has been developing into a hub of knowledge for all the partners falling under the PRESENCE network.

Consisting of researcher's accommodation, offices, gardens and a thatch roofed lapa, the Learning Village hosts researchers and events supporting the restoration and conservation of natliving landscapes & livelihoods across the Baviaanskloof Mega-Reserve.

We are looking for someone with the spirit of adventure and organizational skills to help with coordinating the village.

Main activities:

- Ensure that accommodation & office is well maintained;
- Overseen that vehicles use is scheduled, maintained and logsheets are well managed;
- Support lapa events organization;
- Support general leisure activities;
- Assist in garden maintenance planning;
- Propose and implement actions in the village favouring sustainability (waste and water management);
- Support the construction of ablutions next to the lapa.

**Your benefits:** being involved in a team of motivated young people; learn about the various dynamics related with conservation and restoration, as you will end up attending most of the lapa events; learn how to plan and organize a group of students engaged with research; enjoy the remote and joyful Learning Village. Accommodation will be provided and compensation to support living expenses will be discussed once you have applied for the position.

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