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# JAQUELINE TRASSIERRA



I have a degree in Marine Biology from the University of Cape Town, I have a great passion for the ocean and its marine life, particularly when it comes to dealing with research. I am an exceptional swimmer and have just qualified as a PADI Divemaster, I also have a PADI Coral Reef Research Diver speciality. I work well with others and have proven leadership abilities in working as a team. I am a hard worker, who can work well under pressure and can handle multiple tasks. I have sound knowledge on the identification of Western Indian Ocean Coral Reef species and Coral genera. I adapt quickly and efficiently to my working environment. I am friendly, outgoing, motivated, and highly responsible.

## EDUCATION

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1991-2002	Sacred Heart College	Johannesburg
	<i>Matriculated with University Exemption (HG)</i>	
2003 – 2004	University of Cape Town	Cape Town
	<i>1<sup>st</sup> year BSc Computer Science</i>	
2006- 2008	University of Cape Town	Cape Town
	<i>Degree in BSc Marine Biology</i>	
2010	Global Vision International	Seychelles
	<i>BTEC diploma in Team Leadership (focussing on running a Marine Conservation Project)</i>	

## AWARDS RECEIVED

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- 1999 –2006 Completed Midmar Mile
- 2002 School Hockey Badge
- 2000 Gauteng Colours for Gymnastics
- 1999 – 2000 School Swimming Badge

## INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES

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- Animals
- Ocean
- Swimming

Hockey

Scuba Diving

## LANGUAGES

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English

Basic Spanish and Afrikaans

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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2010 Wildlife Ecological Investments Sodwana Bay

*Intern*

- Assisted the marine ecologist with scholars from the UK. Assistance included helping out with lectures, going on snorkels and dives with the students and helping with the identification of different species of fish and coral.

2010 Global Vision International Seychelles

*Scholar*

- Worked as volunteer staff at the GVI base on Mahe Island. Oversaw and assisted volunteers. Conducted training on identification of Western Indian Ocean coral genera. Assisted with implementation of permanent line transects. Assisted with PADI courses. Assisted in the collection of data on coral diversity belts.

2010 Global Vision International Seychelles

*Intern*

- Ability to identify Western Indian Ocean reef fish species to 100% accuracy. Completed surveys of reef fish using the stationary point count and belt transect methodologies. Ability to identify coral predating invertebrates, algal grazing invertebrates and sea cucumbers to 100% accuracy. Assisted in collection of plankton samples. Assisted in collection of sea turtle nesting data.

2009 Peta-Jane Muller Johannesburg

*Au Pair*

- Included taking and fetching 11 year old boy to and from school. Assisting with homework, taking to and from extra-curriculum activities. Entertaining during school holidays.

2007 Two Oceans Aquarium Cape Town  
*Volunteer*

- Volunteer work at the touch pool and microscopes. Interacting and educating the public.

2007 Tugwell Hall Residence, UCT Cape Town  
*Mentor (Corridor Coordinator)*

- Overseeing 15 students in the residence life. Helping and mentoring the first year students at UCT.

2006 - 2007 Laura Mseme Johannesburg  
*Au Pair*

- Included fetching 7-year-old twin boys from school, assisting with homework and entertaining.

2005 - 2006 Loukia Akakios Johannesburg  
*Au Pair*

- Included fetching 12-year-old girl and 9-year-old boy from school, providing meals, assisting with homework, entertaining, and occasional babysitting in the evenings.

REFERENCES: CONTACT JAQUELINE DIRECTLY FOR DETAILS

ACCREDITATIONS AND LICENSES

Code EB (08) Driver's License

PADI Divemaster

PADI Coral Reef Research Diver Distinctive Speciality

BTEC in Team Leading focussing on a Marine Conservation Project

Emergency First Responder

Knowledge in Coral Reef Survey Techniques

Ability to identify Western Indian Ocean reef fish species and coral genera

to 100% accuracy

Computer literate