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Internship – Research: Quiver Tree Ecological Study in the Namib Desert

Kanaan is a conservation-focused property in southern Namibia dedicated to preserving the unique biodiversity and landscapes of the Namib Desert. Our work includes ecological monitoring, habitat protection, and supporting sustainable land management practices. We are currently seeking motivated and enthusiastic **international interns** to join our team for a **field-based Quiver Tree Survey**. This internship is ideal for BSc. or MSc. students or recent graduates in environmental science, ecology, or conservation who are eager to gain hands-on experience in field research and desert ecosystems.

The internship is **on-site at Kanaan**. Duration is flexible depending on availability, with a minimum stay of two months to ensure meaningful participation in the survey work. The intern will be required to pay a fee to cover on-site accommodation, food and transfer.

Key Responsibilities:

- Write a full proposal for the quiver tree study including a literature review, methods, and planned data analysis
- Assist with walking surveys in mountainous terrain where quiver trees occur
- Assist with ecological measurements and accurate data recording and analysis
- Work as part of a small team in remote outdoor conditions

The Ideal Candidate:

- Has a strong interest in conservation and field research
- Has a BSc. degree in a related field
- Has experience writing research proposals, analysing data and writing reports
- Is physically fit and comfortable working in **remote, rugged environments**
- Is detail-oriented and willing to assist with scientific data collection and data analysis
- Works well in a team and maintains a positive attitude in challenging conditions
- Has good communication skills in English
- Previous fieldwork experience is an advantage but not required

Benefits:

- Gain hands-on experience in ecological field research and vegetation surveys
- Develop practical skills in data collection, analysis, and teamwork
- Contribute to meaningful conservation work in a unique desert landscape
- Experience life and fieldwork in one of Namibia's most striking environments
- Receive a reference letter upon successful completion

How to Apply

Please send your CV and a brief cover letter to intern@naankuse.com with "*Quiver Tree Ecological Study Intern*" in the subject line. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.