

## **Pelican Hiring Selection Criteria**

Star Island's objective is to assemble a cohesive, talented, and diverse staff capable of delivering the best possible services to our guests while operating, maintaining, and improving the island's physical plant and natural environment. We seek individuals who will contribute to and enhance the overall health and vitality of the island community, and who will be especially safe, cooperative, and respectful. We also look for individuals who can thrive in and contribute to the close working and living quarters of our remote setting. We seek to balance the benefits of staff longevity, for both staff and the island, while ensuring sufficient openings each year to permit the hiring of a significant number of first-year staff members. Applicants with specific technical skills or staff in key supervisory positions may be hired for additional seasons to ensure continuity of operational and technical skills needed to run the conference center and island.

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While some criteria are more important than others, decisions are based on a holistic assessment of all the criteria as they apply to each individual. The following criteria are considered in assessing first-year applicants (not in rank order):

- Ability to contribute to our mission of hospitality.
- Job-related skills and experiences.
- Quality of references: Applications are not considered complete until we receive two completed reference forms from non-family members.
- Available dates and ability to fulfill all or most of the conference season.
- Potential to participate in enriching, diversifying, and forming a healthy island-wide community.
- Independent living experience: having lived away from home and having gained experience with independent living is a plus in the hiring process.
- We do not hire applicants under age 18 because of legal limitations on the use of certain kinds of equipment.
- All employees of Star Island are expected to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19.
- Applicant's job preferences.
- Previous Star Island connection.
- Timely receipt of application and supporting materials: while late applications are considered, preference is generally given to applications which have been received by the due date.

## For Pelicans applying for a return season, we consider all of the above with the exception that we do not require references. In addition, the following unranked criteria are considered in assessing applications from experienced Pelicans:

- Contributions to the Star Island community, including demonstrated ability to contribute to our mission of hospitality and participate in forming a healthy island-wide community.
- Past Pelican job performance.
- Adherence to previous contracted leaving dates.
- Demonstrated responsible behavior on and off the job.

At Star Island we appreciate the value and richness of different perspectives and experiences. We constantly strive to be a more diverse and inclusive workplace. We work to make you feel welcomed and engaged as a valued member of the team. We provide equal employment opportunity (EEO) to all persons regardless of age, color, national origin, citizenship status, physical or mental disability, race, religion, creed, gender, sex, sexual orientation, veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by federal, state, or local law. In addition, Star Island will provide reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals with disabilities.