Public Programs Summer Internship

Purpose

This internship will provide experiential learning opportunities and practical work experience in the field of environmental education. The position is intended for an undergraduate student to explore career interest and develop skills and networking relationships while assisting with summer public programming for UGA Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant.

Objectives

▪ Assist in implementation of summer public programs
▪ Utilize skills and knowledge gathered during undergraduate studies
▪ Work in an environment conducive to learning and professional growth

Project Description

Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant is looking for a motivated and energetic individual who enjoys working with diverse groups of people and is interested in public marine education. The Public Programs Internship will be offered June 1 - July 31 2020 at the UGA Marine Education Center and Aquarium near Savannah, Georgia. The intern will assist with all aspects of public programming including teaching, program evaluation, developing educational materials, data entry and event coordination. Public programs include behind the scenes tours, turtle talks, crabbing, marsh and forest explorations. Most teaching will occur Tuesdays and Thursdays. Intern will also assist with World Oceans Day Celebration on Saturday June 8. The first two weeks of summer will include opportunities to observe programming but the intern will be expected to begin teaching independently no later than week three. Onsite housing and daily lunch provided.

Location and Hours

▪ Paid position based at UGA Marine Education Center and Aquarium on UGA’s Skidaway Marine Science Campus, Skidaway Island (30 Ocean Science Circle)
▪ 8 weeks, 40 hours per week, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. with some weekend and evening hours as public programming requires. No work June 29 - July 3.

Minimum Requirements

▪ Must be at least 18 years of age
▪ Intern must be currently enrolled in accredited college/university
▪ Completion of internship application and background check
▪ United States citizen or possess a valid U.S. work visa
▪ Physical ability to work outdoors in summer heat and lift objects up to 50 lbs
▪ Pre and post internship assessments, progress and summary reports, and exit interview

Preferred Requirements

▪ Previous experience working with public groups including children
▪ Excellent written and verbal communication skills
▪ Experience using MS Office Suite (Excel, Word, PowerPoint), email and social media
- Ability to work independently and as part of a small team
- First Aid and CPR certification
- Valid state driver’s license

**Hourly Rate:**
$12.00/hour

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