



Curriculum Alignment Community Engaged Internship

Purpose

This internship will provide experiential learning opportunities and practical work experience for undergraduate or graduate students to explore career interest and develop skills in the field of science education and science teaching. This intern will be responsible for reviewing existing and developing new learning objectives for Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant K-12 educational programs.

Objectives

- Develop measurable learning objectives for Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant educational programs that address previously identified gaps in instruction
- Align learning objectives with state, national, and ocean literacy standards
- Assist with day-to-day operations and programming at UGA Aquarium as needed
- Utilize skills and knowledge gathered during under/graduate studies
- Work in an environment conducive to learning and professional growth

Project Description

Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant is looking for a motivated, curious, and energetic individual who has some knowledge of curriculum design for K-12 education. The internship work dates are roughly May 26-July 31, 2023. The intern will work with marine education faculty to redesign learning objectives for educational programs. The intern will be hosted at the UGA Marine Education Center and Aquarium near Savannah, Georgia. Onsite housing and daily lunch provided.

The **Community Engaged Internship** program with the UGA Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant is designed to support the inclusion and participating of diverse individuals who bring a range of perspectives, values, and tools to assist on projects and initiatives relating to Georgia's ocean, coastal, and marine environments. Students applying for summer internships may be eligible for funding through the CEI program if they represent an underrepresented or marginalized community or if they have interest in engaging with underserved communities through their summer internship.

Location and Hours

- Position based at the UGA Marine Education Center and Aquarium on UGA's Skidaway Marine Science campus near Savannah (30 Ocean Science Circle). Onsite housing provided.
- 40 hours/week during 10-week period to include June - July 2023

Minimum Requirements

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Completion of internship application and background check
- Valid state driver's license
- United States citizen or possess a valid U.S. work visa

- Pre and post internship assessments, progress and summary reports, and exit interview

Preferred Requirements

- Undergraduate or graduate students majoring in Science Education, Education, or related field
- Excellent team working, communication, and leadership skills
- Experience with GA Standards of Excellence and Next Generation Science Standards

Compensation:

CEI interns are awarded a \$5000 stipend paid in several installments throughout the summer

Community Engaged Interns will be part of a national cohort of students. Each Sea Grant program varies, but the cohort will engage with other students through the following.

- An 8-10-week summer internship with on-the-ground learning that includes the completion of a project that extends the knowledge of community stakeholders to address a coastal or marine issue of environmental, economic and/or social importance.
- Participation in all CEI professional development and training opportunities.
- Mentoring by Sea Grant professionals, Sea Grant–funded researchers, partner organizations, and Sea Grant Knauss Fellows.
- Virtual professional development sessions.
- Peer discussions with other interns in the cohort using Slack or other virtual platforms.
- A graduation ceremony to celebrate accomplishments, network with peers and other professionals (in-person meeting included, dependent on status of COVID-19 travel restrictions). Participation in pre- and post-evaluation.
- Learn more here: [Community Engaged Internship for Undergraduate Students \(noaa.gov\)](https://www.noaa.gov/education/outreach-and-communication/cei/)

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