Canterbury School of Florida

Environmental

Education Summer Internships

To apply please send a statement of interest and resume via email: Audrey Mitchell, amitchell@canterburyflorida.org or mail to the contact below.

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The Marine Studies Department at the Canterbury School of Florida is seeking a Marine Science Education Intern for the Summer of 2022. The Marine Science Education Intern will assist with various Marine Science Summer Camps for students in grade K through Grade 7. The intern will lead students and campers in interactive hands-on learning experiences with touch tanks, snorkeling, outdoor exploration, kayaking, games and arts and crafts. The intern will also assist with field trips to venues including local beaches and nature preserves.

The intern will help develop marine studies curriculum for students in K through Grade 7. The curriculum will focus on all aspects of marine science and environmental education. Additionally, the intern will help maintain and care for the classroom, lab space and learning resources in the Cousteau Center for Marine Studies (CCMS).

The Marine Studies program features a kayak fleet, paddle boards, 23-foot Sea-Pro bay boat, and three aquarium touch tanks filled with various organisms like reef fish, crabs, sea stars, urchins and sea snails. The mission of the Marine Studies Department is to inspire an appreciation of the local marine environment and to promote responsible stewardship. The program aims to accomplish these goals by enhancing traditional science curriculum and focusing on inquiry-based marine science education.

Internship: May 30th- August 12th

The Marine Studies Environmental Education Internship at Canterbury School of Florida will provide the potential intern with practical learning experience and knowledge of informal conservation and environmental education in a summer camp setting.

Interns will work around 40 hours per week Monday-Friday for 4 weeks during <u>summer camp sessions</u> (6/13-6/17, 6/20-24, 7/11-15, 7/18-22) and around 5-15 hours per week the other internship weeks. This internship will run from Monday, May 30th to Friday, August 12th, unless otherwise arranged by the Director of Marine Studies.

Application Deadline: April 1st, 2022







Qualifications:

- 1. Undergraduate/graduate student or recent graduate majoring in marine science, environmental science, biology, or similar field with a valid drivers license and automotive insurance.
- 2. Demonstrates interest in working with children and animals. Willingness to work with students in grades K through Grade 7.
- 3. Exhibits a positive attitude, is hard-working, and passionate about educating students about the marine environment. Capable of working independently and able to solve a wide variety of problems in the field.
- 4. A driver's license is required as is proof of health insurance
- 5. Any previous education experience, boating experience, kayaking experience, lifeguard/CPR certification, and experience driving 15 passenger van is appreciated.
- 6. Background Check, which includes fingerprinting, will be required, but paid for by Canterbury School of Florida.
- 7. Must be willing and able to work with children of varying ages, as well as adults, in a professional manner.
- 8. Must be able to take and follow directions to maintain a safe work environment for staff, students, and the animals at Canterbury School of Florida.
- 9. Must be able to perform physical challenges involved in the daily duties including talking for long periods, walking, lifting/carrying equipment weighing approximately 30-50 lbs., sitting, kneeling, and bending. Candidate must be able and willing to perform all above duties outdoors and in all weather conditions.
- 10. Interns must be able to commit to working around 40 hours per week Monday-Friday for 4 weeks during summer camp sessions (6/13-6/17, 6/20-24, 7/11-15, 7/18-22) and around 5-15 hours per week the other internship weeks. This internship will run from Monday, May 30th to Friday, August 12th, unless otherwise arranged by the Director of Marine Studies with a paid stipend of \$1,500.

Taxes: No taxes are withheld from the stipend. Interns electing to receive the stipend will complete IRS Form W-9 Request for Tax-Payer Identification as self-employed and will receive a Form 1099 at the end of the year that reports the amount of income from the stipend. The stipend is not a wage, but does count toward the total income on which the interns tax obligation is based. Interns receiving less than \$600 in a calendar year are not subject to receiving a Form 1099.









- 1. Intern will be trained on the methods and techniques of environmental education.
- 2. Intern will perform educational animal and curriculum based programs to promote environmental awareness and wildlife conservation.
- 3. Assist the Director of Marine Studies and other interns or counselors in the daily and weekly set-up, clean up, and facilitation of each camp program.
 - a. Examples of Tasks:
 - i. Wait with students, set up gear, clean-up after activities, help students get from location to location safely (both on and off property).
 - ii. Help prepare students for trips and activities.
 - iii. Post camp updates on social media.
 - iv. Post all daily photos to website.
 - v. Prepare items for next day activities.
 - vi. Clean classroom daily and organize supplies.
 - vii.Use educational resources like Canva, PowerPoints, Google templates and spreadsheets.
 - viii. Clean tanks and feed tanks Monday, Wednesday and Friday (with training).
 - ix. Check aquarium tanks water levels.
 - x. Prep all craft and experiment items for daily schedules.
 - xi. Teach educational activities to summer camp students.
- 4. Interns may be trained on general husbandry of the CCMS aquariums and handling.
- 5. Interns will assist in kayak programs.
- 6. Design and implement environmental projects, programs, and games.
- 7. Other duties as assigned.

THIS INTERNSHIP PROVIDES A STIPEND BUT FOOD AND HOUSING IS NOT PROVIDED. THIS INTERNSHIP MAY PROVIDE COLLEGE CREDIT, WITH APPROVAL FROM THE UNIVERSITY AND PROFESSOR. INTERNS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL TRANSPORTATION COSTS AND PERSONAL HEALTH INSURANCE. A BACKGROUND CHECK, INCLUDING FINGERPRINTING WILL BE REQUIRED, AT THE EXPENSE OF CANTERBURY SCHOOL OF FLORIDA.

