**JOB TITLE:** Marine Technician

**ANNUAL SALARY: competitive**

**START DATE: Immediate**

**EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:** B. A. /B.S. in basic science or engineering and one year experience **or** AA degree with marine major and two years experience as described below.

**PRIMARY WORK DESCRIPTION:** Assist Principal Investigators, their students and educators with designing, deploying, maintaining and servicing equipment related to marine research and outreach. Duties are diverse and often demanding, requiring long hours in the field, sometimes under adverse weather conditions.

**PHYSICAL DEMANDS:**  The work requires physical exertion such as regular and recurring walking, hiking, or climbing over/up tall structures and on wet, rough, uneven, or rocky surfaces; bending; crouching, stooping, lifting or reaching to observe, collect, or record field data. In some situations the work may involve scuba diving and/or operation of small boats. Heavy items (e.g., equipment and packs up to 50 pounds) must be lifted and carried on a routine basis.

**PREFERRED SKILLS:** *The ideal candidate should have the following set of skills, or be willing and able to achieve them in a short period of time.*

The ability to effectively communicate, verbal and written, at the professional level with researchers, students, and educators.

A working knowledge of oceanographic and biological sampling equipment and instrumentation, including calibration, deployment, maintenance, troubleshooting, programing, data collection and interpretation.

The ability to determine, and occasionally develop, the equipment needs and make recommendations based on the requirements of specific research projects. Additionally he/she should be able to make purchasing decisions based on extensive research.

A basic understanding of animal husbandry and aquaculture systems.

Operating small boats (>30 feet), and working on and around vessels for extended periods of time.

Possess, or be able to obtain, an Open Water dive certification and be comfortable working in and around the water.

A basic understanding of mechanics and electronics in addition to experience using power and hand tools.

Be able to think critically, problem solve, and troubleshoot and also be able to work on multiple projects simultaneously.

Have a working knowledge of coastal and marine ecosystems of the Gulf of Mexico.

Possess a valid driver’s license or the ability to obtain one.

**WORKING CONDITIONS:** The work is performed in an office or outdoors. The work performed involves regular and recurring exposure to extreme weather conditions, stinging animals and biting insects. At times work is required outside the regular 40 hour work week.

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Application forms may be obtained by calling 251-861-2141 or from [www.disl.org](http://www.disl.org). Completed applications should be accompanied by a resume detaining experience and names, addresses and phone numbers of three work related references and sent to:

Dauphin Island Sea Lab

Attn: Human Resources

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