



Common Tides

'Through Learning Comes A Desire To Help'

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501(c)(3) Educational Non-profit

## Boat Captain

Seasonal Position • Virgin Islands • July 8<sup>th</sup> - August 7<sup>th</sup>

Common Tides is looking for a USCG licensed Captain who has experience working 39 foot Catamarans or larger and a strong ability in teaching kids and working with adults. You must have proven leadership, sailing experience, and teaching skills. **The Common Tides Boat Captain is responsible supporting an active, hands-on, experientially-oriented program. This includes** physically demanding work, that may include kayaking, snorkeling, stand-up paddle boarding, fishing, and some heavy lifting. **This is a high energy program where instructors spend long days working and teaching in a unique environment.**

### Duties and Responsibilities:

- Oversee the safety of the vessel, crew, and passengers
- Navigation, anchorage, and docking
- Oversee the safe transport of visiting passengers to and from the vessel
- Work with the Common Tides Trip Directors to determine the best locations to travel to in order to support a safe, fun program
- Follow Common Tides curriculum both on and off the water
- Teach sailing, sail handling, and sail theory to volunteers and visiting students
- Conduct yourself in the highest standards by providing leadership and following conduct policies
- Oversee the weekly maintenance and routine safety inspections of the vessel
- Help implement Common Tides safety plan, maintain vessel and offsite safety at all times

### Minimum Requirements:

- Current USCG 50 ton License or greater
- ARC Waterfront Lifeguarding, CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer and First Aid preferred
- Proven ability to effectively manage and organize staff and students
- Strong communication, decision making, logistical, and organizational skills
- Must have a Valid Driver's License
- Able to pass a Government background check
- Must be in physical condition that allows for participation of all duties
- No conflicting commitments including travel, work or other leave of absence during program dates, July 8<sup>th</sup> – August 7<sup>th</sup>
- Experience sailing in the Virgin Islands is a plus
- BA or BS in Marine Science, Biology, Oceanography or a related science or Teacher Certification preferred
- Strong desire to change the world for the better through education and action!

**About Common Tides:** The mission of Common Tides is to inspire passion through ocean education and stewardship to bring about positive change. We do this by providing a free marine science program along with sail training to young students that live in underserved communities. The goal of the program is to provide these children with more education about their oceans so that in the future they can be empowered to fill conservation roles, eco-tourism jobs, and further understand their connection with the ocean. Participants that join us for our trips will be an integral part in teaching all aspects of our program. We will be training our participants in the marine science and sailing curriculum which is aimed at the broad oceanic picture on the regions we are visiting.

**Compensation:** Based on skill level, work experience, and educational background.

### To Apply:

Please send a cover letter, resume, and references to:

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