

Sea Turtle Care Center Intern

Internship Description:

Intern duties consist of 1) care and maintenance of sea turtle patients including diet preparation and feeding, daily observations, and environmental enrichment; 2) giving educational talks about our turtle hospital and helping with educational outreach at offsite locations; 3) assisting with medical care of patients (administering medications and fluids; treating wounds; and helping with routine medical exams, blood work, radiographs, laser therapy, ultrasonography, endoscopies, and surgeries); 4) maintenance of holding tanks and hospital equipment including daily cleaning and upkeep of filtration systems; 5) general cleaning and restocking of the entire hospital area; 6) maintaining detailed records and log books; and 7) assisting in miscellaneous projects (plumbing, painting, research, etc.). Applicants must be conservation-oriented, be able to work independently and demonstrate initiative, be comfortable engaging the general public during educational talks, be detail oriented, be able to lift 50 pounds, and be willing to work long and/or flexible hours as needed. This job may require long days, weekend shifts and occasional late night or early morning work.

Commitment Required:

- 30 hours per week (weekends and evenings may be required) for a six month period
 - Summer Dates: April 1 September 31
 - Winter Dates: October 1 March 31
- Flexible hours required

Education Requirements:

- Major(s): Any natural sciences major (Marine Biology, Conservation Ecology, etc.)
- Classification: Sophomore, Junior, Senior, or recently graduated (preferred)
- Demonstrated interest in environmental conservation and/or wildlife biology.

Wage:

- Unpaid; college credit may be available through your university
- Stipend/housing not provided

Application Instructions

- Apply at: <u>https://scaquariumvolunteer.applicantpro.com/jobs/</u>
- Summer: Applications are due by February 29. Selected applicants will be notified in March.
- Winter: Applications open on June 15 and are due by August 15. Selected applicants will be notified in September.