

Job Title: Marine Mammal Rescue Intern

Reports to: Marine Mammal Rescue Community Outreach Manager

Employment Status: Part-time

Position: 12 weeks, June–August

Salary range: \$15.00 per hour, 24 hours per week

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About Seacoast Science Center

[Seacoast Science Center](#) is a beloved anchor institution of the NH seacoast community – a place to learn and have fun while developing an appreciation for our coastal environment and its inhabitants. At our home in historic Odiorne Point State Park, one of New Hampshire’s ocean-facing treasures, we inspire visitors to discover the wonders of our natural habitats. Families are encouraged to get their feet wet in the tide pools, explore the touch tank full of wondrous creatures from the Gulf of Maine, be awed by the sea life in aquarium exhibits, and develop a deeper appreciation for the preservation and health of our oceans. As the only ocean-centric science museum in the region, Seacoast Science Center is an integral part of New Hampshire’s cultural economy and educational opportunities, attracting 90,000 visitors annually, with 30,000 participating in school-related field trips and summer camp programs. A valued public resource, we encourage social interaction, community collaboration, and the pursuit of shared interests.

Seacoast Science Center is committed to creating a diverse work environment and is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, genetics, disability, age, or veteran status.

Position Summary

Seacoast Science Center is seeking a passionate and reliable undergraduate student intern to support its Marine Mammal Rescue (MMR) Program during the peak animal response and outreach season. The MMR Intern will be trained in marine mammal response, and will assist with animal responses in NH and northeastern MA. The MMR Intern’s primary responsibilities will include assisting at educational outreach events, both on-site and off-site.

Qualifications and Skills

Ideal candidates are outgoing, well-spoken, and passionate undergraduate or graduate students with a strong knowledge of marine mammal biology and conservation. Formal teaching experience is not necessary, but applicants must have demonstrated public speaking skills.

Requirements

Some weekend days and evenings will be required. The majority of the position will be carried out in-person, however some work has the potential to be carried out remotely. The MMR Intern will be supervised by the Community Outreach Manager and will have a bi-weekly meeting to discuss goals and progress. Reliable transportation to and from the Seacoast Science Center is required, and applicants must have housing secured within 30 minutes of SSC. Applicants should be able to lift 50 pounds, kayak for 3 hours in coastal waters, and be comfortable standing for extended periods of time. Duties will require mild-moderate physical exertion.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Assisting at educational outreach events; both onsite and offsite
- Assisting with marine mammal response, rescue, triage, and transport
- Developing educational and engaging online content about local marine mammal species and response work
- Assisting with Wildlife Kayak tours

To Apply

As a measure to minimize internal hiring biases, all candidates should be prepared to respond in writing to a short series of questions intended to give them the opportunity to map their skills onto SSC's vision for its MMR Intern. SSC will use these responses as the initial filter for all applicants. Failure to submit a response to the questions will result in a candidate being removed from further consideration.

Please send a resume, letter of interest, and the answers to the questions as three separate attachments to careers@sscnh.org to begin your application, with **Marine Mammal Rescue Intern** in the subject line. No paper applications will be accepted.