Paid Internship, Summer 2024

Position: Marine Mammal Rescue Intern
Reports to: Marine Mammal Rescue Staff
Status: Part time/Non-exempt
Rate: $15/hour
Internship duration: June to August 2024
Schedule: 24 hours per week; some weekends and evenings required

Position Description
The MMR Intern will be trained in marine mammal response and assist with animal responses in NH and northeastern MA. The MMR Intern will also assist with community outreach activities and Wildlife Kayak Tours. In addition, the MMR Intern will assist with advancing the Marine Mammal Rescue program and community education, including holding beach-side conversations at response sites, offering on-site educational programs at Seacoast Science Center, assistance with managing the 24/7 reporting hotline and data entry, drafting educational blog posts, and creating social media posts.

A successful MMR Intern is outgoing and passionate about marine conservation and education. Knowledge of ocean ecology and marine mammal biology is helpful. Formal teaching experience and kayaking experience is not necessary.

Requirements
The MMR Intern must have a valid driver’s license and reliable transportation to and from Seacoast Science Center. Applicants must have housing secured within 30 minutes of SSC. Applicants should be able to lift 50 pounds, be comfortable standing for extended periods of time, and be comfortable with mild-moderate physical exertion.

About Us
Seacoast Science Center is a beloved anchor 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 over 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.
To Apply

Please send a resume, letter of interest, and response to the three required short essay questions below to careers@sscnh.org, subject line: MMR INTERNSHIP by March 1, 2024. No paper applications will be accepted. Applications must be received by this deadline in order to be considered. No phone calls please.

Please provide your response to the following required questions:

1. Why are you passionate about working in the field of marine mammal science and conservation?
2. What experience do you have communicating scientific information to the public, or communicating with the public in general? (in person or online)
3. How would this position help you to achieve your career goals?

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.

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.