



## Marine Science Outreach Internship Opportunity

Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary in Savannah, Georgia seeks a qualified volunteer to fill a Marine Science Outreach Intern opening on a part-time basis from late May / early June to late July / early August.

Resumes will be accepted and reviewed on an on-going basis; however, a selection will likely be made on or before **May 15**.



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### Please submit resume and cover letter to:

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Savannah, Georgia 31411

### ABOUT

- 20 hours per week
- Volunteer / unpaid
- Graduate or undergraduate level student

### Duties and responsibilities

- Assist with the management and processing of photographs from Gray's Reef field research, community outreach, and education activities
- Process and edit video from research, outreach, and education video archives
- Prepare photos and video for submission to the Earth is Blue campaign, a social media campaign for the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries
- Collect (potentially compose if candidate possesses electronic music composition skills) of original music to be used in development of videos
- Review the Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary website and provide suggested updates
- Develop posters for outreach – education in line with Gray's Reef communications priorities

- Complete the following project:  
Develop an Outreach Kit to Communicate an Emerging Issue or Priority Topic for Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary
  - o Goals: Develop one comprehensive outreach kit addressing an important issue or topic to be shared with the community. The kit is intended to be made available on our website for viewing or download, and should be designed to effectively communicate to the community-at-large and interested media outlets. It should include a short video, a selection of photographs, a flyer, and a poster that relate to one another focused on an identified topic
  - o Objectives:
    - Create a short video / video podcast
    - Compile, edit, and prepare a selection of topic-specific photographs
    - Craft a one-page flyer addressing the identified topic
    - Develop a poster designed to tell the story as a stand-alone interpretive tool
    - Present outreach kit to Gray's Reef staff

**START DATE & WEEKLY SCHEDULE:** This summer internship will begin late May and end early August (dates are flexible). The start date of the internship will be based upon the intern's academic schedule and the needs of the organization. Intern is expected to work 15 – 25 hours per week with a minimum commitment of 8 weeks. Hours and days are somewhat flexible; we are willing to accommodate an intern's need to also maintain part-time employment outside of the internship. Some weekends and/or evenings may be required for field research activities. We will consider an intern's request for additional hours if required by an intern's academic institution for internship credit.

**EDUCATION QUALIFICATIONS:** Anyone interested is encouraged to apply; however preference may be given to students or recent graduates with a background in marine science, marine education, science outreach, communications, or photo-video editing,

**ACADEMIC CREDIT:** Dependent upon academic institution requirements.

**COMPENSATION AND ACCOMMODATION:** This is an unpaid opportunity. Housing for interns is not provided at this time. Transportation is not provided. Interns are responsible for all personal expenses.

**WORK LOCATION/ENVIRONMENT:** Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary headquarters is located in Savannah, Georgia on Skidaway Island, and on the campus of the University of Georgia's Skidaway Institute of Oceanography. Intern must be able to travel to the administrative offices for the majority of work hours. Some work may be done independently outside of the office with approval. Intern will be required to participate in some field activities aboard a research vessel in rivers and offshore in the open ocean. Some duties may require working outside, potentially in inclement weather conditions, with exposure to elements such as sun, wind, rain, heat, and environmental allergens. The noise level in the work environment may range from quiet to moderately loud.

#### Required Qualifications:

- Minimum of 18 years of age.
- Personal laptop computer.
- Proficiency in the use of email, internet, and GoogleDrive.
- Proficiency with Adobe Premiere Pro and Photoshop, Microsoft Office Powerpoint, Word, and Photo Manager
- Valid driver's license and own transport.
- Ability to follow instructions and protocols effectively and efficiently.
- A keen eye for detail, ability to think creatively, and effective written and oral communication skills

#### Preferred Qualifications:

- Knowledge of the local marine environment and marine life are desired. Strong interest and enthusiasm for ocean conservation.
- Willingness to learn and participate in various types of work, and to bring own ideas to the role.
- Good communication skills for working as part of a small, diverse team. The ability to work independently in a conscientious and reliable manner, as a self-starter with a well-developed ability to meet goals.
- Students that are adaptable, professional, personable, responsible, hard-working, willing to learn, organized, and pay attention to detail are encouraged to apply!

#### TO APPLY

Email resume and cover letter to:

ATTN: Jody Patterson, Volunteer Coordinator, at [jody.patterson@noaa.gov](mailto:jody.patterson@noaa.gov);  
or mail to Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary, 10 Ocean Science Circle, Savannah, Georgia  
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Cover letter should express interest in this Marine Science Outreach Internship opportunity and how this internship will help intern to reach personal and/or professional goals.

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