

**Education Department Internship**

**Description:**  Bring together your love of teaching and love of science at the Greater Cleveland Aquarium. Here you can shadow aquarium educators to gain hands-on experience in the areas of education program delivery, program development, and classroom management. You will gain valuable experience for a career in informal science education or formal classroom teaching.

**Length of Internship:** 10 **-** 12 weeks with a commitment of 10 to 15 hours per week, Summer 2019

**Reports to:** Director of Education and Interpretation

**Requirements:**

* Be currently enrolled in a college or university
* Major in elementary education, biology, environmental science, or related field
* Have a minimum of one year of course work in the major field of study
* General knowledge of education fundamentals and basic science – knowledge of aquatic life preferred
* Must be motivated to work both independently and as part of a team
* Take and carry out multiple instructions in a timely manner
* Previous experience working with children preferred
* Complete a final project
* Pass required background check

**Duties:**

* Shadow education staff and eventually lead summer education programs
* Learn to present guided tours of the aquarium to guests ranging from preschool age to adult
* Learn operational standards for group check in, program logistics, classroom set up, and clean up
* Assist with development of new education programs
* Give informal presentations that focus on specific topics or exhibits
* Learn to interact with guests to provide informational and entertaining content
* Develop, complete, and present a final project to the education department staff

**Compensation**: Internship is unpaid. Performance-based stipend ($400) is available upon internship completion.

Please direct questions and submit resume to:

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