

Job Description: Counselor in Training (CIT)- High School Student *Summer* Internship; Education and Outreach Department

Position Overview: The Education and Outreach Department at the Coastal Studies Institute is seeking a motivated and enthusiastic high school intern. This Counselor-in-Training (CIT) internship offers unique opportunities for students interested in marine science education and will allow individuals to deliver programs to camp participants and members of the public. The CIT will develop leadership skills while collaborating with our experienced staff to create impactful experiences that promote marine conservation, scientific awareness.

Duties and Responsibilities may include:

- Assist in the planning, coordination, and execution of educational and outreach programs targeting K-12 students, and possibly their adults.
- Facilitate daily camp activities and procedures under the supervision of staff.
- Identify any potential issues during planning or execution of programs and communicate concerns with staff.
- Conduct guided tours of the research facility, providing campers with insights into ongoing research projects, marine ecosystems, and conservation efforts.
- Assist in gathering and organizing data related to program effectiveness, participant demographics, and feedback to inform future improvements.
- Support the team in managing social media and online content to promote educational initiatives and engage with a broader audience.

Qualifications:

- Currently enrolled in a high school program with a strong interest in marine science, biology, education, environmental science, engineering, or related fields.
- Passion for science communication, education, and environmental conservation.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills with an ability to engage diverse audiences.
- Enthusiasm for working both independently and as part of a collaborative team.
- Strong organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Basic computer skills, including familiarity with Microsoft Office

Time Commitment: A person interested in the CIT position must be available 16- 24 hours per week for a minimum of four weeks throughout the summer season (mid-June through mid-August). The schedule can be negotiated ahead of time to accommodate the intern's other commitments. There may also be opportunities for extension or continued involvement based on performance and availability.

Benefits:

- Gain valuable hands-on experience in marine science education and outreach.
- Work alongside experienced professionals in the field of marine science.
- Enhance communication, teamwork, and project management skills.

- Develop critical thinking, problem-solving, and research skills.
- Networking opportunities within the marine science and education communities.