

Education Department Internship

Description: Bring together your love of teaching and love of science at the Greater Cleveland Aquarium. Shadow aquarium educators to gain hands-on experience in the areas of education program delivery, interpretation techniques, and classroom management. You will gain valuable experience for a career in informal science education at facilities like aquariums, zoos and museums, all while being supported by the Splash Fund and forwarding the Aquarium's mission.

Length of Internship: One semester with a minimum commitment of 2-3 days per week, typically Monday – Friday with working hours of 9:30am – 2:30pm.

Compensation: \$400 stipend upon completion of the program

Reports to: Education Coordinator

Requirements:

- Be currently enrolled in a college or university
- Major in biology, zoology, environmental science, conservation, education, or related field
- Have a minimum of one year of course work in the major field of study
- General knowledge of biology, environmental science, and conservation
- Must be motivated to work both independently and as part of a team
- Take and carry out multiple instructions in a timely manner with attention to detail
- Previous experience working with children preferred
- Complete a daily journal, independent project, and final presentation
- Pass required background screening

Duties:

- Shadow the education team and in time lead education programs
- Interact with guests from diverse backgrounds, ranging from preschool age to adult
- Assist with operational standards for group check in, program logistics, classroom set up, and clean up
- Develop and expand your toolkit of interpretation techniques for interacting with guests
- Enhance classroom management skills
- Develop, complete, and present a final project to the Aquarium team

Please direct questions and submit resume to: **Matt Debelak** Education Coordinator mdebelak@greaterclevelandaguarium.com