

Job Description 2018

Sherwood Island State Park Nature Center Summer Intern

Wednesdays through Sundays, Thirty-two days between May 24 & September 3

Seven interns will assist the Nature Center Director in all aspects of programming and daily operations for the park's summer season. The intern program is funded by the Friends of Sherwood Island State Park, a nonprofit organization. Interns report to the CT DEEP Nature Center Director, and work in cooperation with the Friends' group Nature Center liaison. Each intern will schedule 32 six-hour days with the Director, 3-4 days/week. Weeks worked depend upon when you are available. We are flexible, but want a strong commitment from you to be there when agreed.

Essential Job Duties & Responsibilities

- Welcome visitors to the center
 - Staff and maintain the aquatic touch tank
 - Set up & assist visitors with a nature-related arts & crafts activity each day
 - Care for live animals residing in the Nature Center
 - Assist with daily seining program
 - Assist with monitoring the Purple Martin nesting gourds, and other Citizen Science projects
 - Assist with programming, such as Horseshoe Crab tagging and nature walks
 - Develop and care for interpretive exhibits
 - Water the Pollinator garden, as needed
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Minimum Required Skills

High school or college student with a focus on environmental studies or education

Strong work ethic & reliability

Enthusiasm for teaching people of all ages

Bilingual or good Spanish speaking ability is a plus, as is teaching experience and specific skills, such as birdwatching, fishing or animal care

Minimum 16 years old, parent/guardian permission if under 18 years old

Stipend

\$1000 for the season. Volunteer positions are available apart from this internship, no age minimum. Parent/guardian consent required if under 18. Contact us at the email below if you are willing to work as a scheduled, committed volunteer for some part of the summer.

Application due by April 27

Interested candidates can find more information at: www.friendsofsherwoodisland.org. Contact michelemsorensen@gmail.com for a link to an online application. Please call Michele at 203-247-1390 if you have questions. See our Facebook page Sherwood Island Nature Center.