

Turtle Education Outreach Internship (Sea Grant)

University of Guam Sea Grant (UOGSG) seeks enthusiastic, curious undergraduates who want to learn about our island's turtles and share that knowledge with elementary school audiences!

ABOUT UOG SEA GRANT

On Guam, recreational and commercial use of coastal resources—our watersheds, beaches, reefs, and open ocean—present challenges to sustaining healthy coastal ecosystems. UOG Sea Grant addresses issues that compromise ecosystem health through research, education, and outreach.

UOG Sea Grant implements education and outreach in two ways: 1) Formal education, by offering for-credit classes or internships, and 2) Informal education, through workshops, presentations, or educational products targeting general audiences.

INTERNSHIP DESCRIPTION

Turtle Education Outreach Interns will research turtles in the Pacific region, design a game or activity for use in community outreach, conduct at least twelve (12) presentations in public elementary schools, and train UOGSG staff and interns to do school presentations well.

Interns will undergo a minimum of 40 hours of formal training on outreach, assist and participate in UOGSG's regularly scheduled activities, gain experience in a professional work environment through shadowing occupations related to science and education, and learn how to be an excellent school presenter. A science background is not required but applicants must want to learn and teach science-based lessons. This is an excellent opportunity for students who want to explore education, environment or natural resource management, and science professions!

Interns will receive a stipend of \$1,000.

INTERNSHIP DURATION AND TIME COMMITMENT

December 1, 2017 through March 30, 2018, with the bulk of flexibly scheduled training time occurring in December and the first two weeks of January. Interns should maintain some availability in January, February, and March during traditional school hours (weekdays between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m.).

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MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES, AND SKILLS

Applicants should:

- Have a high school diploma or G.E.D,
- Be enrolled at Guam Community College or the University of Guam (full-time credit hours not required),
- Know how to use standard Microsoft Office, Google Docs packages, and email,
- Be able to work for long stretches of time without direct supervision, and be responsible for projects,
- Be able to meet deadlines independently,
- Work carefully and conscientiously so that few mistakes are made,
- Demonstrate initiative and commit to working hard towards making exceptional quality products and conducting presentations,
- Desire to work collaboratively and contribute to a positive team dynamic,
- Role model character and behaviors consistent with elementary schools' educational objectives,
- Demonstrate personal qualities essential for grade school outreach, including enthusiasm, humor, a love for diverse audiences, and the desire to create an accessible learning community.

PREFERRED KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES, AND SKILLS

- Any knowledge of other languages,
- Experience with the Guam Department of Education, either as an alumni or in some other capacity,
- Valid driver's license.

CONTACT

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