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## **AQUARIST INTERNSHIP**

The Santa Monica Pier Aquarium, a community program of Heal the Bay, is a learning aquarium dedicated to inspiring stewardship of Santa Monica Bay through, education, interaction and discovery. Through a unique focus on pollution prevention and the impacts that humans have on their environment, the Santa Monica Pier Aquarium hopes to teach local children and all Southern California residents how they can help keep our coast clean and healthy. Used by almost everyone in Southern California, the beaches and coastal waters are one of the region's most important natural resources.

The Santa Monica Pier Aquarium is looking for responsible, dedicated, assertive interns to work with our Senior Aquarist, other staff and volunteers. Interns are required to attend the training sessions, however may start the internship before completing the training. Interns will assist with exhibit maintenance, animal feeding and care, occasional collecting, and perform other duties related to the Aquarist Department.

This internship is an excellent opportunity to learn more about marine science, marine life support systems, and aquatic animal care and to gain experience working for an environmental group.

#### **Responsibilities include:**

- General maintenance of aquaria and life support systems
- Food preparation and feeding of organisms
- Water quality analysis
- Aid in the development of marine biology & environmental education signage

#### **Qualifications:**

- Excellent written, verbal and computer skills
- Understanding of environmental, marine science, and education issues
- Strong interpersonal skills, ability to work with many people in diverse settings
- Ability to work independently as well as with a team
- Ability to operate hand and power tools
- Ability to commit to an internship for at least 6 months

This is an unpaid internship that requires a time commitment of at least eight daytime hours a week for at least 6 months (flexible scheduling is available). Ask your school instructors about course credit!

#### Please phone or fax/mail resume to:

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# **Intern Application Form**

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Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ AQUARIUM Which internship(s) would you like to apply for? Check all that apply. ■ Education Department ■ Public Programs Department ☐ Shark Education Aquarist ■ Young Children Science Education Name Home Email Work Email Street Address City/State/Zip Birthdate (mm/dd/yy) Phone Numbers (+area code) Fax Numbers (+area code) **Emergency Contact Info** Home Person's Name Home Fax Work Fax Work Relationship Mobile Phone # Favorite ocean activity: Favorite ocean creature: \_\_\_\_\_ Do you speak any additional languages? \_\_\_\_\_\_ Special skills and interests (computers, graphic design, fishing, art, etc.):

How did you find out about interning with us?

Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offense, placed on probation, or given a suspended

sentence? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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Why would you like to intern at the Santa Monica Pier Aquarium?
Have you ever volunteered/interned in the past? If so, what have you done?
What are your goals for your internship including tasks you hope to accomplish and/or skills you wish to acquire? In addition, how will the aquarium benefit from you interning here?
For Education, Public Programs, Shark Education, and Young Children Internship Applicants:  What experience do you have working with children?
For Aquarist Internship Applicants:  What experience do you have in animal husbandry and caring for animals?
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