



SANTA CRUZ MUSEUM

of natural history

Environmental Education Internship

The Santa Cruz Museum of Natural History seeks a nature enthusiast with a passion for education to intern with the Museum's Education Department. Upon successful completion of the internship, participants will receive a stipend of \$1,500.

Interns receive training and gain experience in:

- Environmental and outdoor education principles and practice
- Curriculum development and elementary school education standards
- Public speaking and communication skills
- Natural history topics
- Nonprofit management, administration, and museum operations

Duties include:

- Learn and teach one or more of the Museum's elementary school [education programs](#) on a weekly basis, depending on your schedule and specific interests
- Programs occur weekday mornings (8:30am-12:30pm) Tuesday through Friday
- Programs offered include:
 - **Our Animal Neighbors** at the Museum | *K-2nd grade*
 - **First Peoples of Santa Cruz** at the Museum | *K-4th grade*
 - **Wetland Walk** at Neary Lagoon | *3rd grade*
 - **Nature Rangers** at Pogonip | *4th grade*
 - **Watershed Walk** at Neary Lagoon | *5th grade*
- Assist with curriculum development of educational programs, including program assessment
- Opportunity to facilitate outreach programs offsite
- Opportunity to participate in community events

Requirements:

- Commitment of 60-75 hours (approximately 4-6 hours/week) over the course of the internship
- Interest and/or experience in education, natural sciences, museum operations, and curriculum development
- Ability to work independently
- Organized and excellent attention to detail
- Consent to a Livescan background check (will be reimbursed for \$30 fee)
- CPR and First Aid certification preferred (not required)

Work Environment:

- Significant time outdoors as well as occasional work throughout the Museum
- Frequent sitting, standing, walking, walking on uneven surfaces, bending, and climbing stairs with day-to-day lifting of loads up to 50 lbs.
- The incumbent must be able to perform each requirement of the position as outlined in the internship description.
- Essential Duties are representative and are essential for satisfactory job performance. The Work Environment characteristics are representative of those that may be encountered while on the job. The Museum will make reasonable accommodations to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of the position.

About the Santa Cruz Museum of Natural History: Founded over 100 years ago, the Santa Cruz Museum of Natural History connects people with nature and science to inspire stewardship of the natural world. All of the Museum's educational programs are designed to foster understanding and appreciation of Santa Cruz's rich natural and cultural history. Each year, the Museum provides quality school programming to thousands of youth. With its vast collection of local artifacts and one-of-a-kind exhibits, the Museum offers unique learning opportunities for students to delve into natural and cultural history topics in ways they cannot in their classrooms.

TO APPLY: Please fill out an [online application](#). Send any questions to intern@santacruzmuseum.org or 831-420-6115 x13.

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