



Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation

A non-profit organization promoting awareness and conservation of the marine environment through education and research in New England.

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Summer Position Announcement: Coastal Cleanup Assistant Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation, Portsmouth, NH



Want to help the environment? Start by working with us. The Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation is looking for an enthusiastic individual to fill the position of coastal cleanup assistant this summer. The assistant will help with our beach cleanup/marine debris monitoring programs and coordinating the New Hampshire Coastal Cleanup (NHCC). We are a Portsmouth, NH-based non-profit organization that promotes awareness and conservation of the marine environment through research, education and conservation. We offer a challenging, hands-on position that will enable you to learn about marine conservation and make a real difference in the health of New Hampshire beaches and the Gulf of Maine.

The NHCC is held in conjunction with the Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup, which is the world's largest one-day volunteer effort to clean up the marine environment. The intern employed in this position will also assist with our other cleanup programs, including our innovative Marine Debris to Energy project, involving recycling derelict fishing gear, underwater sonar surveys and a unique marine debris web site.

Responsibilities include:

- Working with Blue Ocean Society's Executive Director to plan the public Coastal Cleanup along with a student cleanup held with area schools. Cleanups are usually held throughout September and October, with September 24-25, 2010 as the main cleanup days.
- Recruiting schools to participate in the student cleanup and a student art contest.
- Obtaining supply donations from local businesses and organizations.
- Assisting with our monofilament fishing line recycling program, including contacting marinas to place fishing line recycling bins and signage and working with volunteers to monitor the bins.
- Conduct beach cleanups with groups including summer camp groups, businesses and general public.
- Assisting with cleanup data entry.
- Helping with educational programs as needed.
- Promoting our cleanups through press releases, posters, and other means.



Qualifications

- Attention to detail and strong organizational skills.
- Enthusiasm, creativity and a desire to learn.
- Outgoing, cheerful personality. Comfortable speaking in public.
- Familiarity with Microsoft Office software.
- Self-motivated and able to work independently.
- Commitment to environmental protection and a desire to share your environmental ethic with others.
- Own transportation: the intern must be able to work in our Portsmouth office and travel along the seacoast of NH frequently as part of the project (mileage for work-related travel is reimbursed)
- Must be available at least part-time through at least September 2010.
- Past participation in coastal cleanups a plus!

For more information:

Blue Ocean Society: www.blueoceansociety.org
Beach cleanups held each month. Attend one to see what we're all about!
International Coastal Cleanup:
www.coastalcleanup.org

This is a **paid position**. The position is available starting in May/June. The assistant is expected to work 25-35 hours per week during the summer and at least 10-15 hours per week in September and October. There is a possibility to combine this position with a part-time educator and/or office assistant position for additional hours/experience. Applicants must be available to start by June 1, or earlier, and be available during Coastal Cleanup weekend, September 24-25, 2010.

To Apply - Please submit a resume, letter of interest and three recommendation letters via mail or e-mail by April 1, 2010 to:

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