

Maryland Coastal Bays Program

2024 Seasonal Environmental Education Internship Opportunity



Position: Environmental Education and Interpretation Intern
Job Type: Seasonal Intern
Application Deadline: February 2, 2024
Length: 10 weeks
Start/End: June–August 2024
Rate: \$18/hour

The Maryland Coastal Bays Program (MCBP) is accepting applications for a paid seasonal position starting in June 2024. Part of EPA's National Estuary Program, the Maryland Coastal Bays Program is a non-profit dedicated to preserving and restoring the waters and watershed near Assateague Island and Ocean City, Maryland. MCBP works to enhance the ecological value and resiliency of the Coastal Bays, the watershed, and its community through conservation and engagement. Through education, scientific monitoring, outreach, and restoration, we collaborate with the stewards of our community to have a positive impact on our watershed. MCBP works cooperatively with local, state, and federal agencies, other environmental non-profits, as well as citizens, to implement management actions that will meet the goals established for the protection of the Bays. For additional information about the Maryland Coastal Bays Program, visit www.mdcoastalbays.org.

Position Description

The Maryland Coastal Bays Program is seeking a qualified applicant for a summer internship focusing in environmental education and interpretation. We are looking for a highly motivated individual who has a background in outdoor education leadership, environmental science, environmental studies, biology, education, or other related fields. This position will run for roughly 10 weeks at 40 hours a week from June through August, but exact start and end dates are flexible. This is a seasonal position with no benefits and pays \$18/hour.

MCBP works to provide opportunities for residents and visitors to gain a deep understanding of the environment around them with the hope of inspiring environmental stewardship. An ideal candidate is creative, passionate, and flexible, with the ability to work well on a dynamic small team, and excited to educate in the field. The internship offers the opportunity to design a library program, write a lesson plan, lead boat tours, co-lead meaningful educational summer camp programs, and design and facilitate events and activities around the watershed. The intern will also acquire technical skills through experiences with our science team.

The goal of this internship is for the intern to not only gain experience in lesson planning and program development and delivery, but to learn the inner workings of the Coastal Bays Program, involve themselves with local environmental partners, and expand their knowledge about the Maryland Coastal Bays watershed.

Desired Qualifications:

- Education experience (ex: leading youth, planning activities/lessons)
- Strong desire and passion to work with the environment and teach in the field
- Organizational and professional skills, and has the capability of prioritizing and managing diverse tasks
- Strong verbal communication and interpersonal skills and experience with public speaking
- Basic computer skills including Canva, PowerPoint, Word, and Excel
- Creative/design skills for social media and outreach materials
- General knowledge of watersheds and other aquatic/marine ecosystems
- Must be comfortable working outside in various weather conditions, in/near the water, and able to lift 25 lbs
- Lifeguard and CPR certified preferred

To be considered for this position, please submit a cover letter, resume, and three references (name, job title, phone number/email, capacity you know them) to Liz Wist, Education Coordinator at the Maryland Coastal Bays Program, at lwist@mdcoastalbays.org. Applications will be accepted until Friday, February 2, 2024 at 11:59 pm EST.

The Maryland Coastal Bays Program is an equal opportunity employer. All applicants will be considered for employment without attention to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran, or disability status.