

Are you interested in learning more about developmental education and teaching kids in a fun outdoor environment?

The Santa Cruz Museum of Natural History invites you to apply for our Summer Camp Intern position. The Museum is seeking an individual interested in outdoor education, childhood development, and nature to be part of our 6 week-long [Nature Explorers Summer Camps](#). Our summer camp program is an essential part of our public education programs. Interns will develop valuable skills and gain professional experience working with kids and teaching a variety of different topics in an educational, outdoor setting. A monetary stipend will be awarded upon completion of the internship.

Essential Duties include:

- Assist in supervising groups of 15 campers ranging from K-6th grade by facilitating outdoor exploration activities, scientific studies, and arts and crafts projects
- Collaborate with Museum staff and volunteers to facilitate essential camp operations, including preparation and clean-up.
- Camps run Monday-Friday from 8:30 am -3:30 pm, June 17th - August 2nd, preference will be given to candidates who can commit to assisting with all 7 weeks of camp
- Candidates must also be available for an in-person training day in early-June, as well as a post-camp exit interview

Interns receive training and gain experience in:

- Environmental and outdoor education principles and practice
- Public speaking and communication skills
- Natural history and science topics
- Working with a wide range of ages (K-6th grade)
- Techniques and methods to help kids learn about nature and science
- \$2,200 stipend upon completion of internship

Requirements:

- Interest and/or experience in education, natural sciences, museum operations, and curriculum development
- Responsible, self-motivated, and organized
- Consent to a Livescan background check (will be reimbursed for \$30 fee)
- CPR and First Aid certification preferred
- Reliable transportation

Work Environment:

- Significant time outdoors as well as occasional work throughout the Museum
- One week of camp will be in Watsonville. Reliable transportation required. Mileage will be reimbursed.
- 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.



Summer Camp 2024 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.