# NOAA AND UCSB MARINE SCIENCE INSTITUTE OCEAN ACIDIFICATION OUTREACH INTERNSHIP

Job posting dates: September 6th, 2018 until filled

**Location of position:** Ocean Science Education Building 514, UC Santa Barbara

Job start date: Early October 2018

Job end date: September 27th, 2019

**Percent time of work**: 25% (approximately 10 hours per week, but can vary through the school

year)

Pay rate: \$20 per hour

## **Brief Job/Internship Description:**

The Ocean Acidification Outreach Intern will work with scientists and communicators to create regionally specific "Ocean Acidification Outreach In A Box" toolkits tailored for diverse stakeholders who want to learn about the latest OA research. These toolkits will include outreach materials most appropriate for various US regional (Alaska, Pacific Northwest, Southwest, Southeast, Northeast and Pacific Islands) audiences and venues and will include actions that audiences can take to adapt to and mitigate this environmental change. By equipping OA scientists and communicators around the nation with effective, consistent and solution-focused messages that make ocean acidification understandable, stakeholders will better understand OA science and be empowered with stewardship actions.

#### Tasks:

- Interview scientists and communicators from different regions to determine needs and requirements for OA toolkits
- Obtain images and multimedia files, editing if needed, and create web-ready content
- Design and write activity descriptions for toolkits and create materials for outreach activities utilizing strategic framing elements developed by National Network for Ocean and Climate Change Interpretation (NNOCCI)
- Purchase supplies, organize and track materials lists for each of the kits for ease of future duplication
- Create and finalize at least 4 toolkits to distribute to the different regions
- Develop a Powerpoint presentation for a Sharing Ocean Acidification Resources for Communicators and Educators (SOARCE) webinar

#### Hours:

This position requires approximately 10 hours/week between the hours of 8am to 5pm on weekdays.

## **Requirements:**

- Current MS or PhD student in marine science, environmental management, education and/or science communication, or related field. Advanced undergraduates with appropriate skills and experience may also be considered.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Highly organized with the ability to work independently
- Self-motivated, creative, innovative and comfortable working with a diverse team in a fast-paced collaborative environment
- Demonstrable proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite and Adobe Creative Suite; graphic design and video editing skills preferred

#### **Opportunities and Benefits:**

- Travel supported to work with NOAA scientists and/or communicators in one region and/or participate in a professional development training opportunity
- Mentoring by NOAA CINMS and Ocean Acidification Program Education Coordinators to support intern in project and professional development
- Establishment of working relationships with NOAA ocean acidification scientists and communicators in various sites around the nation
- Insight gained into tools and approaches to engaging and empowering ocean acidification stakeholders in different US regions

## **Organization Information:**

Through education, conservation, science, and stewardship, NOAA's Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary provides protection to the area's natural and cultural resources. NOAA's Ocean Acidification Program seeks to better prepare society to respond to changing ocean conditions and resources by expanding understanding of ocean acidification, through interdisciplinary partnerships, nationally and internationally.

#### **Contact Information:**

To apply, please submit your letter of interest, resume, 1-2 writing or education activity samples, and 1-2 design/multimedia samples (optional) to:

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#### **Deadline:**

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis and top ranked candidates will be interviewed in early October 2018.