



Sciencenter Internship Opportunity

Informal Science Education (ISE)

About the Sciencenter

Mission: *Cultivate a broad community of curious, confident, critical thinkers.*

Vision: *A world where people explore, connect, and create through science.*

The Sciencenter is a non-profit hands-on science museum in Ithaca, NY. We are a nationally recognized institution, hosting 100,000 guests on-site each year and reaching over 1.5 million people worldwide through traveling exhibitions and off-site outreach programs. Volunteers, interns, and work study students are an integral part of our team. For more information, visit: <http://www.sciencenter.org>.

Internship Description

ISE interns will support the Sciencenter's mission and enhance the public experience.

Daily tasks include:

- Facilitating no-contact activities or socially distant demos in the galleries and staffing the Discovery Space
- Opening the Tidepool Touch Tank and facilitating guest interactions with its marine inhabitants
- Handling and introducing guests to teaching animals and providing interpretation
- Assisting the Education team with activity prototyping and providing feedback for curriculum development
- Supporting summer Youth Employees (ages 14-18) as they deliver programming and develop job skills
- Assisting with the supervision of summer campers and summer camp activity prep as necessary
- Assisting with COVID-19 cleanliness procedures
- Communicating with Sciencenter staff members about visitor questions and comments, exhibits needing repair, First Aid and other emergencies, and any other issues relating to visitors' experience in the museum
- Answering basic visitor questions and offering an inclusive, welcoming, approachable presence on the museum floor

Specialized training and staff support will be provided for all duties and responsibilities.

ISE interns may also be asked to help out with on-site Special Events or off-site outreach activities, as their schedule allows.

Schedule and Stipend

This opportunity is offered to undergraduate students for 400 hours of internship work. The stipend is \$7,300. We anticipate that interns would start on or around June 6th, wrapping up the

10-week internship in late August prior to resuming classes. Individual weekly schedules will be determined by Sciencenter open hours, and will include one weekend day per week.

The Sciencenter requires all new hires to provide documentation showing full vaccination status with FDA-or WHO-authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccines and boosters (within 45 days of becoming eligible), or an approved disability/medical or religious exemption before their first day of work.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply, please submit a resume and 1 page cover letter that highlights how your past experience has prepared you for this position.

Please send application as one PDF to: volunteer@sciencenter.org

Deadline for applications is April 4, 2022.

The Sciencenter is an Equal Opportunity Employer