2021 Wisconsin Sea Grant Summer Internship Program Application Instructions

December 28, 2020

Purpose:

The purpose of the Wisconsin Sea Grant Summer Internship Program is to contribute to a diverse workforce that understands technical and social challenges facing coastal communities and the natural environment. The program helps prepare undergraduate students for graduate school, as well as careers in aquatic sciences and outreach.

Timeline:

- The deadline for applications is Thursday, February 25, 2021 by 5:00 p.m. Central Standard Time.
- It is expected that decisions about summer internship placement will be made by late-March 2021.
- The ten-week program runs from June 7-August 13.

Eligibility:

Any undergraduate college student who will have completed the equivalent of one semester of full-time study by June 7, 2021, and who is currently enrolled in any U.S. college or university may apply. Students who will have graduated with an undergraduate degree from an accredited U.S. college or university during the 2020-2021 academic year are eligible.

Application Process:

Provide the following information by email to Moira Harrington at moira@aqua.wisc.edu:

- 1. A one- or two-page resume describing the applicant's work and/or volunteer experience. The resume must include name, contact information (including phone and email address) and educational history.
- 2. A personal statement in essay style not to exceed 1,000 words. The statement should include:
 - a) One paragraph about personal/professional/academic background, including related experience, and major and why that major was chosen.
 - One paragraph about the applicant's experience with people from various cultural, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds.
 - c) One paragraph about academic and professional goals.
 - d) One paragraph on how one or more of the listed internships would help an applicant reach these goals.
- 3. Unofficial transcripts showing all college-level education.
- 4. At least one letter of recommendation. This could be from a supervisor from a work or volunteer setting and/or from a college professor or advisor and which focuses on academic achievement.

Internship Descriptions:

Project descriptions, intern responsibilities, locations, work settings and qualifications for the 2021 summer internships are available at: https://www.seagrant.wisc.edu/our-work/focus-areas/education/summer-internships/

COVID-19:

At the time of this notice of opportunity, public health protocols to curb the spread of COVID-19 are in place. While it is unknown if the pandemic will be widely circulating in summer 2021, all internships will be structured to accommodate either remotely conducted activities or safe, in-person activities. Resilience and flexibility given these uncertainties are necessary and appreciated.