

Volunteer Internship



Strategic Partnerships Outreach Volunteer Internships

To apply, please email a cover letter, writing sample and resume to: Elizabeth.Moore@noaa.gov

The NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries serves as the trustee for a network of underwater parks encompassing more than 170,000 square miles of marine and Great Lakes waters from Washington state to the Florida Keys, and from Lake Huron to American Samoa. The network includes a system of 13 national marine sanctuaries and Papahānaumokuākea and Rose Atoll marine national monuments.

Our mission is to protect and enhance these natural and cultural treasures for future generations through scientific research, management and education.

What We Offer

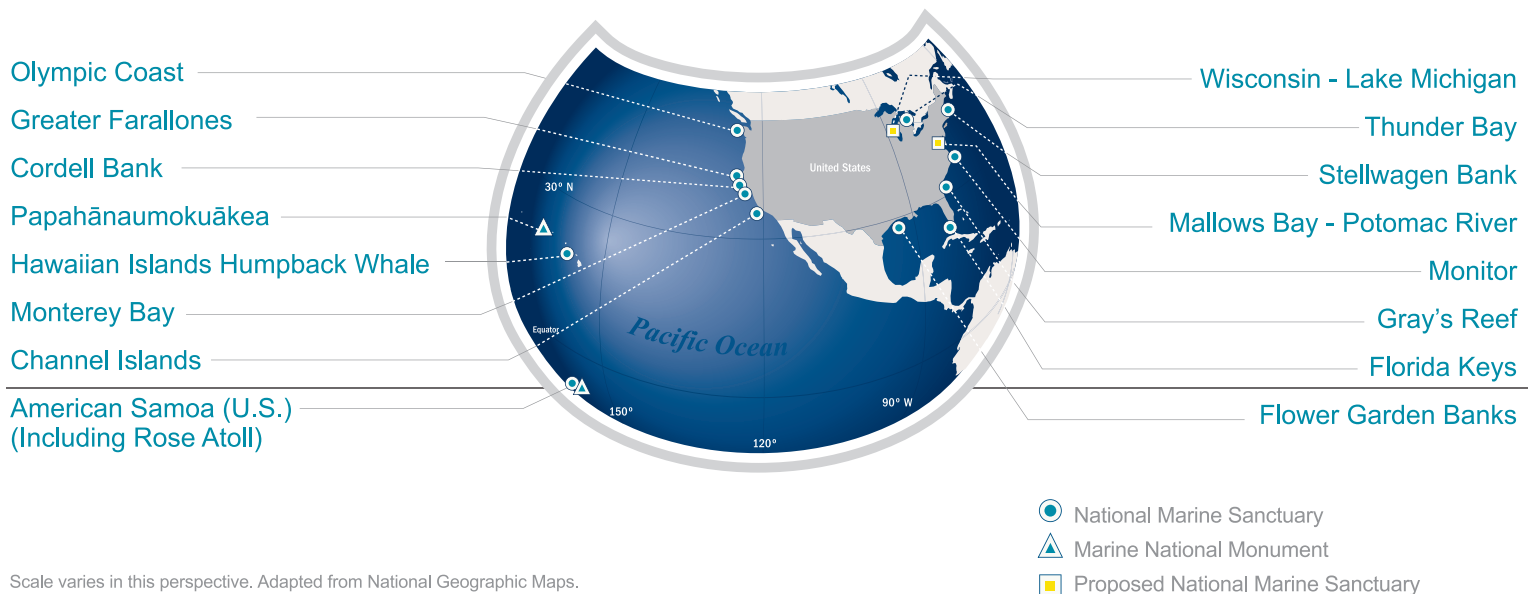
The NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries provides a dynamic work experience. Graduate student interns will join a dedicated and enthusiastic team in Silver Spring, Maryland outside of Washington, DC (easily reached via the Metro Red Line). Volunteer interns would gain valuable resume-building experience and an insider's perspective from the nation's leader in ocean conservation and management.

Volunteer graduate students will work on a team that includes expert staff from all across the program, including our communications team, educators, socioeconomists, scientists, managers and policy experts. They would have the opportunity to interact with the members of our Business Advisory Council that includes representatives from National Geographic Society, Rockefeller Foundation, Coca-Cola, Walt Disney Parks, Jet Blue, Johnson Outdoors and Trip Advisor, among others. All of our volunteer interns are encouraged to attend marine conservation events, lectures, conferences and receptions that provide terrific networking opportunities. We are flexible in providing opportunities for career development and personal enrichment for our interns and can help tailor the graduate student's experience, including using his or her volunteer experience as a capstone or other thesis project.

Position Description

We are seeking volunteer graduate students in MBA programs with an emphasis on sustainability and in MFA programs with an emphasis on creative writing to help us identify our stories and then find new, mean-

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ingful ways to tell those stories in formats and lexicons meaningful to different, untraditional audiences

Major Responsibilities:

- Assist in building and revising a new section of our website devoted to engaging untraditional audiences, particularly the corporate and business sector.
- Help develop hard copy and digital products for the same purposes.
- Help develop and prepare a business plan that outlines priority conservation projects and programs for potential partners and sponsors.
- Help develop other ideas for engaging and investing untraditional partners in marine conservation.
- Assist in special projects as needed.

Desired Qualifications:

- Interest in and/or knowledge of the marine environment and conservation issues.
- Knowledge of the corporate and business sector (for MBA students).

- Motivated self-starters who enjoy both working independently and collaboratively.
- Bright, creative and eager to find humorous and meaningful ways to communicate our stories.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.