



Beach Naturalist opportunity in Bellingham!

Community Education Intern, Beach Naturalist Program

Internship Dates: Spring and Summer 2008

Expected Intern commitment: 15-40 hrs/wk, 2-6 months

Internship Job Description: This is a great opportunity to get hands-on experience with volunteer management, interpretive methods, and the day-to-day operations of one of Bellingham's premier non-profit, environmental organizations.

Interns will assist the Beach Naturalist Coordinator in recruiting, training and managing a crew of community volunteers, preparing educational materials, preparing reports and website updates. Interns will also spend a significant portion of the summer on the beaches of Birch Bay and Larrabee, working alongside Beach Naturalist Volunteers.

The Beach Naturalist Program trains community volunteers to act as informal naturalists on local beaches and promotes shoreline stewardship through community education programs. While on the beach, Beach Naturalists help park visitors learn about the species on the shoreline, beach etiquette, and shellfish harvesting techniques. Interns and volunteers will receive formal marine naturalist training through this program as well as "on-the-job" training.

Students with major or emphasis in environmental education preferred. Marine biology coursework a plus.

Deadline: Until filled. Volunteer trainings start in May

Compensation: This is an unpaid position

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Volunteer Opportunity open to all who can commit to 14+ hr training in May for 14+ hrs service on-the-beach as described above