



## **Sea Turtle Care Internship Application**

### **Internship Summary:**

The Sea Turtle Care Internship at Loggerhead Marinelife Center (LMC) is open to students (undergraduates or recent graduates) with a focused interest in animal care or veterinary medicine. Students will have the opportunity to learn all aspects of sea turtle care through hands-on experience, working directly with Loggerhead Marinelife Center hospital staff. The internship is unpaid, and housing is not provided, so interns are responsible for locating their own living situations and transportation for the duration of the internship. This internship position is competitive, as only one intern is chosen per session. Start and end dates are variable based on hospital needs.

### **Qualifications:**

- College undergraduate student or recent graduate
- Desire to pursue a career in animal care or veterinary medicine
- 2.5 month (10 week) commitment
- Education and/or experience in environmental or biological science
- Computer and data entry skills
- Ability to swim
- Excellent communication and organization skills
- Ability to understand and follow detailed instructions
- Self-motivated with the ability to work independently or as part of a team
- Positive attitude with a desire to learn
- Flexible schedule
- Possess a valid driver's license
- Personal laptop/tablet is highly recommended, but not required

### **Internship Responsibilities:**

- Aid hospital staff with daily operations of the hospital
- Assist hospital staff with sea turtle restraint during treatments and procedures
- Daily diet preparation and feeding of sea turtle patients
- Maintain cleanliness in indoor and outdoor hospital (cleaning/disinfection of tanks and equipment, water quality, stocking hospital supplies, etc.)
- Accurately record patient data in LMC's electronic medical record system
- Prepare oral medications for administration
- Assist in sea turtle strandings and releases as needed
- Interpret patient cases for visiting public
- Complete an intern project and present to staff and volunteers at the end of the internship
- Other duties as assigned

**Application Materials:**

To be considered for this internship position at Loggerhead Marinelife Center, please submit this completed application form, along with pdf versions of applicant’s resume, cover letter, and unofficial transcripts to *Taylor Clasen, Hospital Technician*, at [tclasen@marinelife.org](mailto:tclasen@marinelife.org). Letters of recommendation are not required, but are encouraged.

**Application Deadlines:**

- January Internship – September 30
- March Internship – November 30
- May/June Internship – January 31
- August Internship – April 30
- October Internship – June 30

*\*Start and end dates are variable based on hospital needs\**

**Applicant Information:**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
 Where did you hear about this opportunity? \_\_\_\_\_

**Education Information:**

College or University currently attending or recently graduated from: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Declared Major or Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

**Internship Dates:**

The internship duration is 2.5 months (10 weeks), with a commitment of approximately 40 hours/week. There are 5 internship time slots available throughout the year, with approximate start dates in *January, March, May/June, August, and October*.

Please list your dates of availability during the above approximate starting months (mm/dd/yyyy):

*First Choice Availability:* \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ *through* \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

*Second Choice Availability:* \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ *through* \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

**Three Professional References:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone or Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone or Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone or Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Physical Demands:**

The physical demands described herein are representative of those that must be met by an intern to successfully perform the essential functions of this internship. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. While performing the duties of this internship, the intern is regularly required to work long hours in the sun and at night in extreme conditions. The intern is required to sit; use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms; and talk or hear. The intern frequently is required to stand and walk. The intern is frequently required to climb or balance and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The intern must frequently lift and/or move up to 50 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and ability to adjust focus.

**Work Environment:**

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an intern encounters while performing the essential functions of this internship. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. While performing the duties of this internship, the intern is frequently exposed to outside weather conditions. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

This internship description in no way states or implies that these are the only duties to be performed by this intern. He or she will be required to follow any other instructions and to perform any other duties requested by his or her supervisor.

I have read the internship description and fully understand the requirements set forth herein. If selected for this internship, I accept the position, and I agree to abide by the requirements, and I will perform all duties and responsibilities to the best of my ability.

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_