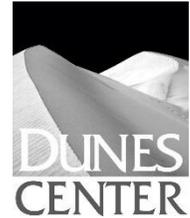


Employer: Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes Center
Title: Environmental Education Program Intern
Reports to: Educational and Public Programs Coordinator



About the Dunes Center:

The Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes Center is a natural history museum at the heart of historic downtown Guadalupe that strives to promote the conservation and restoration of the Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes ecosystem. We offer inspiring educational programs aimed to bring awareness to our local natural areas and unveil new topics to students in our community.

Hours per week: flexible, 5-7 hrs per week

The Environmental Education Program Intern supports the Dunes Center's goal of providing high-quality and engaging programming to children on the Central Coast. This part time service is a mutually beneficial partnership that will enable the Dunes Center to engage local residents and children with educational opportunities and activities while the intern gains experiences that can be used for college or graduate school admissions, work experience, and personal fulfillment. Generally, this position requires an interest in science education, experience working with children, and a willingness to learn.

Objectives:

The Environmental Education Program Intern contributes to Dunes Center programming. They will be responsible for leading sessions of the off-site afterschool and other educational programs. Interns may also spend time as a museum docent and/or at Dunes Center Special Events as needed. Examples include community walks and hikes or interactive educational activities at fundraising events.

This spring our program will focus on teaching Botany to students in Guadalupe and the surrounding area. Lessons incorporate hands-on activities designed to expose students to natural science topics surrounding the study of plants including ecology and adaptations.

Qualifications

Interns should possess the following abilities:

- Represent the Dunes Center in a professional manner
- Public speaking – ability to communicate clearly and effectively
- Interest in working with children – prior experience working with children preferable
- Interest in education, sciences or becoming a mentor
- Transportation to and from the site and the Dunes Center
- Pass a background check

Upon Completion, Interns will:

- Have work experience(s) to draw upon when they enter the profession of their choice, including experience in the creation of science education activities for students

Compensation:

- Letter of recommendation from the Dunes Center upon completion of internship
- Work experience in the field of education and natural sciences
- Internship credit may be able to be arranged with your school's appropriate department prior to beginning internship
- Visa gift card to be awarded upon return of program evaluations and materials as a thanks for volunteering your time

To Apply

Send or email your resume and a brief personal statement describing your educational goals to: Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes Center, 1065 Guadalupe Street, Guadalupe, CA 93434
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