

2020 Internship Opportunities



Lynnhaven River NOW is a 501c-3 **local environmental organization** founded in 2002. LRNow is dedicated to **restoring and protecting our beautiful Virginia Beach Waterways**. We began with a singular focus on the Lynnhaven River Watershed, but since we have expanded over the years, our programs have grown to include all **8** Virginia Beach watersheds.

Core objectives:

1. Identify and reduce sources of pollution in our waterways.
2. Restore vital habitat like oyster reefs, wetlands, riparian buffers, underwater grasses, native plants and forested lands.
3. Educate and engage the community and partner organizations in this work
Visit www.Lynnhavenrivernow.org to learn more

Anticipated start date for each is Spring 2020

Interested in being part of our team or would like to learn more? Email your application to Emily Bodsford emily@lrnow.org or call our office at (757) 962-5398

Brock Environmental Center is located at

3663 Marlin Bay Drive Virginia Beach, VA 23455



Communications and Media

Program area/ Internship: Communications

Staff member: Emily Bodsford Hatfield **Anticipated**

Start Date: Spring 2020

Hours per week: 10+ preferred; flexible within business hours

We are seeking an enthusiastic student who is willing to assist the organization's Communications Coordinator. Because we are an environmental organization you might assume that we are only seeking out those with a science background. This is simply not the case: We offer a wide range of programs and work with businesses, faith communities, residents, public and private schools, volunteers, committee members, Oyster Restoration partners, restaurants, groups who advocate for good environmental policies and more! The communications intern opportunity would be ideal for someone majoring in communications, graphic design, photography, video and/or film.

Responsibilities:

- ***We are looking for someone who has experience or is interested in video and video editing. Access to drone videos is a major plus. My goal is to capture beautiful scenery of each individual watershed in Virginia Beach and feature it on our new (soon-to-launch) website.
- Research important dates that align with our mission & come up with materials to post on or near that day.
- Attend events; take photographs and be able to edit and manipulate if necessary, tweet, short videos, etc.
- Help update outdated pdf publications using adobe acrobat
- Assist in website content updating (Featured news, calendar etc)
- Create flyers, infographics and other materials for us to use at outreach events
- Update and post supervised social media and website content; respond to web correspondence, social media posts etc.
- Help gather data for the end of the month email blast ex: February: A month in the life of LRNow "over 90 volunteers participated in our monthly river cleanup. Together they removed 1,000lbs of trash from our waterways.

Pearl School Director & Pearl School Program Assistant
Staff Member(s): Jody Ullmann & Dana Sizemore
Anticipated Start Date: Spring 2020

Program Area/ Internship Position:
Photographer and/ or Videography for
Education Events

The ideal candidate will:

- Be an upper level undergraduate, graduate student or recent graduate
- Experience in both indoor and outdoor photography (preferred)
- Have the skills and ability to take quality photographs/video, especially of children
- Possess prior experience in editing media materials for use on-line or in publications (preferred)
- Be flexible and self-motivated with exceptional time management skills
- Have their own transportation
- **A plus is having access to video equipment

Hours per week: 10+ preferred; flexible with Education Programming Schedule

Summary: The intern will work with the Education Coordinator and Education Assistant to accurately document educational events using photography and/or video. These media products will be used in advertising, publications and on social media. High resolution photographs are a must (camera provided) Course credit may be available.

Responsibilities:

- Help capture and edit high resolution photos (camera provided)
- Put together social media posts based on important upcoming events or news/ interesting articles that fall in-line with our mission.
- Edit video footage
- Create on-line photo albums and video productions, as needed

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Anticipated Start Date: Spring 2020

Program Area/ Internship Position:
Education/Outreach Internship

Hours per week: 10+ preferred, flexible with education programming

Summary: The intern will work with the Pearl School/ Education Coordinator and Pearl School Assistant on various projects. The projects given will be based on the experience and education of the intern and may include the preparation of materials for teacher workshops and educational programs, helping to develop new games and activities for outreach events, development of new educational programs based on LRNow's needs, as well as assisting during educational programs.

Responsibilities:

- Accurately prepare educational materials for teacher workshop and classes
- Help develop new games and activities for outreach events
- Create an educational program and associated materials in line with the Virginia Beach Standards of Learning
- Assist during pre-K programs
- Assist with special programs, both at Pleasure House Natural Area and offsite

The Ideal candidate will:

- Be an upper level undergraduate, graduate student or recent graduate (preferred)
- Be detailed oriented
- Work well in a team
- Be creative
- Demonstrate excellent communication skills, verbally and in writing
- Be flexible and self-motivated with exceptional time management skills
- Have experience working with children (preferred)
- Be able to work independently

Staff Person: Karen Forget

Program Area: Advocacy and Environmental Film Festival

Anticipated Start Date: Spring 2020

Hours: 10 hours per week or equivalent; hours are flexible

We are seeking a college students interested in film studies to work with the Executive Director on the development of the 2021 Environmental Film Festival. Work will include coordinating with the public schools on a film contest for students; researching and selecting appropriate films; working with potential sponsors and partnering organizations; and helping to develop promotional materials for the festival.

The hours are flexible to meet the Director's schedule and your schedule. This is a great opportunity for a film studies student.

Responsibilities and Qualities:

Interest in environmental policy and advocacy.

Interest in community action around environmental initiatives and the use of film for educating and inspiring the public

Knowledge of film and the interest to research available films

Interest in working with a dynamic community environmental organization

Assistant Director & Pearl Programs Coordinator

Staff member: Helen Kuhns | Helen@lrnow.org

Anticipated Start Date: Spring 2020

Hours per week: 10+ preferred; flexible within business hours

Program area/ Internship:

Outreach and Administrative Assistance

Summary: Student will work with the Assistant Director/ Pearl Program Coordinator to help put together materials and assist at outreach events. Additionally, this person will help with data entry (Water Quality testing results, Waterway cleanup states, Volunteer tracking numbers and more)

Responsibilities:

1. Must have form of transportation
2. Must be timely and enthusiastic
3. Pays close attention to details~~~~~
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**Oyster Restoration Volunteer Opportunities**

Program area: Restoration Work

**Staff Contact:** Brent James

**email:** Brent@lrnow.org

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We have quite a few Oyster Restoration projects that will begin this Spring. We will need group of eager volunteers who are ready to get out in the field. If you do not mind getting muddy and/or lifting heavy items then this is the perfect opportunity for you!

For Date/location/time information please email Brent James (email above) or give us a call at (757)962-5398

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