

OREGON MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Internship Title: Science Education Intern
Reports To: Senior Educator

Department: Education
Unit: Museum Education

SUMMARY OF POSITION:

Science Education Interns work in OMSI's interactive exhibit halls and labs: Early Childhood Education; Earth and Life Science; Chemistry, Physics and Technology; and Featured Exhibits. This position has two roles: (1) facilitate the visitors' learning experiences with informal interactions, demonstrations, and lab activities, and (2) assist with maintenance of the labs.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Interact with visitors to help them explore and learn from exhibits and lab activities.
- Share accurate science and museum information with visitors.
- Maintain the integrity and appearance of hall and lab exhibits.
- Maintain a safe and secure environment for visitors and staff.
- Help train, coach and supervise education volunteers.
- Be prepared to be trained and work in multiple science halls or labs as needed.
- Assume tasks and responsibilities as assigned by the Hall Educators.

KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS:

- Basic knowledge and interest in science.
- Strong communication and customer service skills.
- Able to present science process and content in an engaging way to a broad age range.
- Must present a professional personal appearance.
- Dependable, punctual, and willing to commit to a schedule.
- Self directed and willing to take initiative.
- Able to stand for extended periods of time.

EDUCATION AND WORK EXPERIENCE:

- Working toward a BA/BS in science, education, or communications preferred, with college course work in science.
- Experience working with the public in formal or informal educational settings highly desirable.

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