

JOB DESCRIPTION: **OceanCamp Counselor** (seasonal)

Job Summary: Provide a supportive, friendly, and safe environment for students in grades 5 through 12 during eight 6 day/5 night residential OceanCamp programs.

Job Requirements:

- *Must be age 20 or older by June 1, 2007 (some college experience preferred).
- *Must have or obtain First Aid, CPR, and CT Safe Boating License (or Coast Guard license) before June 24, 2007. Lifeguard certification is encouraged, but not required.
- *Possess a keen interest in working with students grades 5-12; experience working with children is necessary.
- *Able to foster positive social interactions between students and staff.
- *Requires energy and enthusiasm to maintain positive living and working environments.
- *Able to work as a team member and as a leader.
- *Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- *Experience or interest in marine science is preferred.
- *All final applicants will be subject to a criminal background check and a pre-employment drug test. All Project Oceanology employees participate in a mandatory random drug testing program.
- *A State of Connecticut Health form is also required upon employment with Project Oceanology.

Job Responsibilities:

- *Participate in week-long staff training.
- *Be available all weeks of OceanCamp, and reside in the hostel during OceanCamp sessions.
- *On a rotating schedule with other OceanCamp staff and counselors, provide daytime supervision of students. The four OceanCamp counselors and the Resident Supervisor are required to provide overnight supervision during OceanCamp sessions.
- *Implement and enforce camp rules during program, free, and quiet times, especially those required by applicable state Department of Public Health statutes and regulations for "Youth Camps".
- *Coordinate with other OceanCamp staff to assist, interact with, and lead students during instructional, social, and transition times.
- *Plan and engage the students in daily team-building activities.
- *Work with the Resident Supervisor to monitor the hostel facility used by students to ensure safety and cleanliness.
- *Provide on-going evaluation of programs, students, and facilities, and communicate this information to all OceanCamp staff, the Resident Supervisor, and other appropriate Project Oceanology staff members.
- *Provide a safe, supportive and friendly environment throughout OceanCamp and Project Oceanology facilities.

Compensation: \$400-\$500 per OceanCamp session depending on experience. Also includes room and board and 1 week of paid training.

Dates of employment: June 18 to August 17, 2007. Attendance at staff training is mandatory (first week); week of July 2-6 is negotiable (no OceanCamp students).

Closing date: April 1, 2007, or when filled.

To apply: Download and print application. Send with resume and references to Skye Lance, Administrative Coordinator, Project Oceanology, 1084 Shennecossett Road, Groton, CT 06340.