

Science Education Intern - Roper Mountain Science Center

Greenville, South Carolina, May-August 2024

Job type: Full time, seasonal, unpaid

Training days in May, TBD

The **Science Education Intern** will gain valuable experience through a variety of summer programs offered at Roper Mountain Science Center. We offer summer camps for students in grades K-8, summer planetarium shows in the state-of-the art Hooper Planetarium, teacher professional development in the Science PLUS Institute, and the *Summer Adventure* public program which features the Environmental Science and Sustainability building, Living History Farm, outdoor Dinosaur Adventure Trail, Harrison Hall of Natural Science, and outdoor gardens.

Interns will primarily participate in Summer Adventure and will provide meaningful and fun engagements for visitors through assisting with live animal encounters, touch tanks, artifact displays, and our upcoming summer traveling exhibit, *Be the Dragon*. Interns will also have the chance to assist staff in our immersive butterfly house and help with supervising and mentoring high school and middle school volunteers.

Qualifications

Roper Mountain Science Education interns must be a current college student pursuing a degree in Biological Science, Environmental Science, Zoology, Interpretation, Education, or a related field of study. They must be able to work with audiences of all ages and be able to safely handle live animals, such as turtles, snakes, bearded dragons, insects and other invertebrates. Interns must also have the skills needed to combine creativity, enthusiasm, and exemplary teaching methods to engage visitors in science-related activities.

Expectations of Roper Mountain Science Center staff and interns:

- Enthusiastic about science, the environment and the experiential education process
- Excellent interpersonal communication skills, both written and verbal
- Be a self-motivated, team player
- Ability to work some Saturdays and evenings, as needed
- Hard worker with the ability to work outside for several hours a day
- Ability to work with the public and maintain a positive attitude while providing excellent customer service.

Please submit your resume and cover letter describing your interest in the position to **Ashley Zalabak** at azalabak@greenville.k12.sc.us by April 5th.