

Marine Science Educator/Deckhand Aboard 80' Schooner SoundWaters

SoundWaters, a nonprofit education organization based in Stamford, CT, is accepting applications for Marine Science Educator/Deckhand aboard the 80' Schooner SoundWaters for the 2020 sailing season.

SoundWaters, founded in 1989, is the premiere environmental education organization focused on the protection of Long Island Sound and its watershed. SoundWaters works in partnership with individuals, schools, communities, businesses, civic organizations, and other environmental and educational organizations to develop experiences that foster a sense of responsibility and encourage actions that ensure the sustainable future of the Long Island Sound ecosystem.

The Schooner STEM program is designed for local schools, summer camps and community organizations. The crew is responsible for delivery of three-hour science programs for students ranging from second grade through college age and assisting in sail handling during educational programs. STEM learning stations include water quality monitoring, human impact, plankton, marine animals, and navigation. Educators deliver information using an interactive pedagogy. On weekends and throughout the summer the schooner offers public sails, and private charters, and crew members are responsible for passenger safety, sail handling, and guest relations. Throughout the season the crew engages in maintenance of SoundWaters. All crew live aboard.

RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Leading the interdisciplinary on-board education learning stations, including environmental and nautical science.
- Working with the SoundWaters team to create new learning stations to meet group needs.
- Preparing and maintaining education equipment.
- Preparing the schooner for program each morning and sharing in daily chores.
- Assisting with the sailing of the schooner.
- Assisting with various maintenance projects throughout the season.
- Maintain and adhere to a safe and drug-free environment.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Pursuit of degree in, degree in and/or career in science (biology, geology, chemistry, etc.), history, or other field. Some experience teaching young people preferred.
- Enjoy working with people, especially children.
- Strong verbal communication skills and lots of ENTHUSIASM!
- Excellent community member who enjoys living in a close knit, cooperative living and working situation.

START DATE: March 23, 2020

END DATE: November 20, 2020

STIPEND: \$275 per week plus room and board aboard the schooner *SoundWaters*.

Please send cover letter and resume may be sent to: Capt. Virgilio Gonzalez at vgonzalez@soundwaters.org.

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