

## Shipboard Educator & Deckhand Internship



The shipboard educator/deckhand delivers education programming aboard our traditionally rigged schooner, *Inland Seas*, for people of all ages and participates in ship operations. The educator/deckhand is expected to learn how to teach our programs, as well as how to crew aboard the *Inland Seas*. Position requires participation in DOT-approved drug testing program.

The 2020 season will include delivering programs, half-day and overnight, primarily around Grand Traverse Bay, but also includes ports around the Straits of Mackinac and Detroit, MI.

### *Primary Activities:*

#### Educator

- Deliver educational units to student, family, and community groups that emphasize hands-on involvement and relate to Great Lakes topics.
- Lead group lessons during overnight programs, including science, sailing, and team-building type activities.
- Provide support to education programming, including but not limited to: maintenance of program equipment, lead program activities, and possibly develop new activities for overnight programs.

#### Deckhand & Ship Operations

- Train to fill the role of 'Deckhand' aboard *Inland Seas*.
- As crew, will be subject to a pre-employment and random drug test program as required by the United States Coast Guard.
- Learn all emergency response duties assigned to the deckhand.
- Direct Passengers in a safe manner aboard the ship
- Understand and comply with the ship's rules, policies, and Standing Orders.
- Assist with cleaning, maintenance, and repairs as needed.

### *Secondary Responsibilities*

- Participate in staff meetings.
- Assist with other activities related to ISEA's educational mission.

Interns are encouraged to take on tasks that will help them reach their education and employment goals.

*Skills/Prerequisites:*

- Enthusiastic about teaching and learning
- Ability to work well with youth and adults
- Willingness to learn and teach new subject material
- Excellent interpersonal communication skills— verbal
- Strong team player
- Ability to work weekends and evenings as needed
- Ability to travel 1-10 days as needed
- Able to lift 40 lbs and haul halyards, dock and anchor lines
- Physically able to perform duties required of emergency operations aboard the vessel
- Not subject to *severe* motion-sickness
- Ability to work in turbulent waters and challenging weather conditions
- Experience with or knowledge of ship operations (optional)

*Term:*

Late April – August, flexible end date.

The ideal candidate would begin the week of **April 27, 2020** to begin training for our spring programming, which begins May 7, 2020.

Spring crew training would culminate in full crew participation (i.e. able to fill the role of 'Deckhand') for the summer season, June through August.

*Compensation:*

A stipend is available. ISEA can also support students earning internship college credit through their university.

*Housing:*

On-site, shared housing can be arranged for non-local candidates and include dormitory-style and/or ship-based lodging. The candidate is expected to live aboard the ship for much of the summer programming, June through August.

For full consideration apply by **February 7, 2020**

*Apply by email with resume and letter of interest:*

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