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Subject: Coral Reef Ecology Spring 2015 Internship

I would like to share the following announcement for an internship at the CIEE Research Station Bonaire.

Organization: CIEE Research Station Bonaire

Location: Bonaire, Dutch Caribbean

Duration: 13 Weeks

Period: 31 January through 2 May 2015

Deadline for applications: 31 October 2014

Description: The CIEE Tropical Marine Ecology and Conservation program is a study abroad program for undergraduate students that is operated by the CIEE Research Station Bonaire (Southern Caribbean). In addition to our study abroad program, our research station supports an active research program including individual projects by faculty/staff and collaborative long-term monitoring projects run by multiple faculty/staff. The Coral Reef Ecology Intern position is a combination of teaching assistant, research assistant, and resident hall assistant. The intern will assist in the academics, research, group dynamics, logistics, dive safety, student transportation, and site security at the CIEE Research Station. The position duties include assisting with: preparations for classes and labs as instructed by faculty; SCUBA diving in support of CIEE courses and research projects; laboratory work on research projects; mentoring students; general errands at the research station; and record keeping for the dive safety program. The internship is a 13-week commitment with little down time and the normal work schedule includes weekend and evening duties. CIEE interns are on call 24 hours per day, 7 days per week for the duration of the internship.

Minimum Qualifications: BA/BS in Biology with an emphasis in Marine Biology/Ecology or Biological Oceanography (MS preferred); scientific diving experience (minimum of 50 dives logged).

Requirements: Current certifications in First Aid, CPR, DAN Oxygen Rescue, Advanced Open Water are required; DAN insurance, a comprehensive dive physical; valid driver's license (manual shift competency preferred).

Abilities/Skills: Knowledge of Caribbean Coral-reef species (fishes, corals, invertebrates, algae); experience collecting fishes and analyzing fish behavior in a laboratory and field setting; experience working with CPCe software; a commitment to education and research in coral reef ecology and conservation; a willingness to work flexible hours, live on site, and manage undergraduate students in residence at the station; the ability to work as a team member with CIEE staff to motivate students and provide an excellent academic and personal growth experience for students.

Compensation: the internship comes with no stipend, but lodging and meals will be provided to the successful applicant.

To apply: Send a cover letter and CV listing contact information for 3 references. One letter of recommendation must be emailed from a major faculty member from your degree granting institution to info@cieebonaire.org. For more information about the semester program please visit www.cieebonaire.org or our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/cieebonaire?fref=ts>

Cheers,
Dr. Patrick Lyons