United States Environmental Protection Agency

Office of Water / Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds 2018 Summer Intern Program Washington, D.C.

The Environmental Protection Agency is seeking several student volunteers (uncompensated interns) in the Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds within the Office of Water. You should be motivated, hard-working and interested in environmental issues.

We are accepting applications from students who are enrolled at least half-time (e.g., six credits per semester for undergraduates) in an accredited junior college or community college, a four-year college or university, or any other accredited educational institution.

Time commitment: We accept full or part time students. You should expect to work Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Some exceptions will be made if you have class or program requirements.

Compensation: Student volunteers are **unpaid**; however, we will provide you with an office phone and computer. Student volunteers are eligible for a transit subsidy.

Application Schedule:

	Summer 2018
Applications Accepted	March 26, 2018
Application Deadline	May 31, 2018
Start Date	As early as May 1, 2018
End Date	September 30, 2018

To apply please send your resume, cover letter and Division(s) of interest to Antonio Bravo (Bravo.Antonio@epa.gov).

About the Office of Wetlands, Oceans & Watersheds (OWOW)

OWOW works to protect our freshwater, estuarine, coastal and ocean ecosystems, including watersheds and wetlands; regulate and monitor ocean dumping and vessel discharges; and reduce aquatic trash and marine debris. OWOW also works to protect water quality and habitats in 28 estuaries around the nation, and to control polluted runoff and restore impaired waters. OWOW integrates its program efforts around a watershed approach.

Participating Divisions and Descriptions of Opportunities

The students(s) selected for projects may support a variety of work in the Watershed Restoration, Assessment & Protection Division (WRAPD) or the Oceans, Wetlands & Communities Division (OWCD) depending on their background and professional interests.

Watershed Restoration, Assessment & Protection Division (WRAPD)

WRAPD develops and implements water quality monitoring and assessment programs, manages a national program for controlling non-point source pollution (Clean Water Act, Section 319

program), and aligns OWOW data systems to inform the Water Quality Framework. The Division supports state, territory, tribal and national implementation of ambient water quality protection programs under the CWA and the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), and implements the Coastal Zone Act Reauthorization Amendments of 1990 (CZARA). A major activity within the Division includes working with the states to assess and identify impaired waters and develop Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), and explore partnership efforts to restore and protect impaired waters by nonpoint source pollution.

Oceans, Wetlands & Communities Division (OWCD)

OWCD implements strategies for protecting, restoring, and maintaining the nation's wetlands, streams, urban waters, marine waters, estuarine waters, and other special aquatic resource sites. The Division uses regulatory authorities under the Clean Water Act; the Marine, Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act; the Ocean Dumping Act; the Clean Boating Act; the Shore Protection Act; the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act; the Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection, and Restoration Act; and international agreements including the London Ocean Dumping Convention, MARPOL (the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships), the Polar Code and Ramsar Convention. The Division manages financial and technical assistance to the National Estuary Program, Wetland Program Development Grants, Urban Waters Small Grants Program, and 5 Star and Urban Waters Grant Program; and collaborates across EPA and with other federal agencies, state, tribal, and local governments to ensure the control and regulation of sludge, dredge, fill, marine debris, and vessel discharges. OWCD also works in partnership with these and other organizations to support place-based projects, training, and capacity-building strategies through EPA's Urban Waters Program, Trash Free Waters Program, National Estuary Program, and state and tribal wetland programs.

Desired Skills:

- Third/fourth year undergraduate students with course work in biology, ecology, chemistry, or environmental studies.
- Strong communication & writing skills.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a group.
- Strong investigative research and organizational skills, and functional computer skills.