GUEST STUDENT INTERNSHIP AVAILABLE

Woods Hole Sea Grant American Lobster Research and Outreach Internship

June 2022 – August 2022 (10-11 weeks)

Woods Hole Sea Grant (http://seagrant.whoi.edu) is seeking an undergraduate guest student to assist in the program’s activities related to the National Sea Grant American Lobster Initiative (https://seagrant.umaine.edu/extension/american-lobster-initiative/). This internship could be organized as either a fully in-person or hybrid format, but if hybrid, the intern would be expected to spend 2-3 days per week in Woods Hole Sea Grant’s offices in Falmouth, Massachusetts. There may also be some travel within the New England region to visit researchers funded in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and/or Maine. We are seeking a matriculating student with coursework in environmental sciences, fisheries science, sustainability science, marine/coastal science, social science, or science communication. A valid MA driver’s license is required. The student will gain skills in research synthesis, data analysis, science communication, and project management.

Woods Hole Sea Grant is committed to building inclusive programs that serve people with unique backgrounds, circumstances, needs, perspectives and ways of thinking. We encourage applicants from all races, ethnicities, gender identities, sexual orientations, disabilities, cultures, religions, marital statuses, veteran status, and socioeconomic status.

The guest student intern will be responsible for arranging their own room and board and is expected to arrive with their own health insurance. This internship is expected to be full time (e.g. approximately 40 hours per week) and the student will be provided a stipend of $600/week to support their time.

Interested students should send a CV and letter of interest to Jennie Rheuban, jrheuban@whoi.edu by May 6, 2022.

GUEST STUDENT INTERNSHIP DETAILS:

The American Lobster Initiative
The Sea Grant American Lobster Initiative, funded by the NOAA’s National Sea Grant College Program, is addressing critical knowledge gaps about American lobster and its iconic fishery in a dynamic and changing environment. The initiative began in 2019 with the goal of increasing the American lobster industry’s resilience to the biological, economic, and social impacts of ecosystem change in the Northeast. To date, 22 research projects have been funded.
This internship will focus on a research synthesis and communications/outreach project. The intern activities may include:

- Synthesizing the results of the ALI research projects and other research on the American Lobster
- Meeting with and/or interviewing ALI researchers, including in-person visits to labs and/or in the field
- Developing research summaries, outreach and communications products, and expanding content in an ArcGIS outreach StoryMap about the American Lobster (https://arcg.is/0OCbvG)

**Deliverables:** the intern will develop digital and written content, messaging, fact sheets, and/or social media posts related to the American Lobster Initiative that can be distributed to the public. The student will also have freedom to explore their own research interests related to the American Lobster Initiative.

**COVID-19 Considerations:** Proof of COVID-19 vaccination will be required.

**About Woods Hole Sea Grant**

The Woods Hole Sea Grant program, based at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI), supports research, education, and extension projects that encourage environmental stewardship, long-term economic development, and responsible use of the nation’s coastal and ocean resources. It is part of the National Sea Grant College Program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, a network of 34 individual programs located in each of the coastal and Great Lakes states. Together, these programs form a national network of over 300 participating institutions involving more than 3,000 scientists, engineers, educators, students, and outreach experts. More information is available at http://seagrant.whoi.edu.