



Tennessee Aquarium Diversity Fellowship (*paid position*)

Thank you for your interest in a grant-funded 11-week (*May 15th to July 31st 2016--must be available for all 11-weeks*)

Diversity Fellowship at the Tennessee Aquarium in Chattanooga, Tennessee! The Aquarium hopes this experience will help guide and empower conservation-minded students to develop solutions to complex conservation challenges in our communities and gain valuable hands-on work experience. Our history of giving high-potential students the opportunity to work at our Aquarium has shown that such professional experience opens new career options for students from all walks of life. Selected Fellows will be paid an hourly wage along with campus housing and parking. Applicants may select to work in the Husbandry or Education Department:

Husbandry Fellows will be exposed to a several biology-related positions working with the Tennessee Aquarium's world-class living collection. Areas include aquaculture, aviculture, horticulture, herpetology, laboratory sciences and entomology. This hands-on opportunity will offer an understanding freshwater conservation, animal life support systems, caring for animals in closed aquatic environments, and keeping exhibits interesting for our visiting guests.

Education Fellows will work closely with the Aquarium's award-winning team of professional Educators. The Aquarium offers a large selection of both formal and informal educational opportunities. From providing gallery education programs to helping out with summer camps, the possibilities for a valuable summer experience are endless.

Diversity Fellowship Requirements:

- Minority/Diversity* college student with science or education major
- Able to commit to the full internship of 11-weeks
- Able to climb ladders, lift and carry 50 lbs.
- Show a high level of interest in science or education
- Provide a college transcript with a minimum GPA of 2.5
- Submit an unofficial transcript, fellowship application and background release & consent **before Friday, April 1, 2016 at 5:00 PM at** <http://tnaqua.gatherdocs.com>

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Perform animal husbandry and education duties which may include: cleaning exhibits, preparing food, feeding animals, maintaining exhibits, and monitoring animal behavior
- Provide exemplary interpretation and assistance in programs
- Maintain appropriate logs and records
- Interact with staff, volunteers, and public in a professional and ethical manner

Wages:

- Fellowships will last 11-weeks from **May 15th to July 31st 2016 (*must be available for all 11-weeks*)**
- Work week: 40 hours per week
- Pay: \$12.00 per hour
- University of Tennessee at Chattanooga campus housing & campus parking
- Paid parking near the Aquarium during work hours

****Minority/Diversity would include, but is not limited to, the following groups: African American or black, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, Asian American or Asian, American Indian or Alaska Native, Hispanic or Latino, and students who consider themselves to be of more than one race.***