

2018 Ted Smith Conservation Internship Program

Intern Positions

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Note: When completing the application, you may select up to 3 of your top position choices. Applicants are encouraged to spend time researching the organizations and their work and to select your top choices based on relevant interests and experience.



2017 Interns hiking in the Chugach Mountains



Job Title: Ted Smith ACF Organizing Intern Reports to: Organizer Status: Part-time

Location: Anchorage, Alaska with travel to the Matanuska-Susitna Valley and Fairbanks

Position Overview:

The Alaska Center Education Fund is seeking an enthusiastic and talented individual to serve as our Ted Smith ACF Organizing Intern. This position will work to build power for local clean energy projects, salmon conservation, and civic engagement in Alaska by educating and engaging thousands of individuals to take action and volunteer on an array of campaigns and issues.

Organizational Overview:

The Alaska Center Education Fund envisions a thriving and sustainable Alaska for generations to come. With our sister organization, The Alaska Center, we engage and empower Alaskans to stand up for clean air and water, healthy communities, and a strong democracy. We believe that when Alaskans are involved in the decisions about the relationship with our resources, we create a more just, equitable and sustainable future. Our issue priorities are protecting salmon habitat, advancing clean energy solutions, and amplifying Alaskan's voices in the public process. Together, we achieve our mission through youth education and leadership development, community organizing and mobilizing, and electing leaders who champion our values.

Core Responsibilities: *Duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to:*

- Educate and engage Alaskans to support local and statewide issue advocacy campaigns;
- Build a network of volunteers to engage thousands of residents on conservation campaigns;
- Participate in organizational staff meetings;
- Identify, engage and strengthen relationships with business leaders, tribal entities, and other decision makers;
- Work collaboratively with The Alaska Center Education Fund coalition and community partners;
- Build relationships and mentorship opportunities with The Alaska Center and Alaska Center Education Fund staff as well as other coalition and community partners;
- Represent The Alaska Center Education Fund at community events;
- Work with The Alaska Center Education Fund Communications team to engage and educate Alaskans about local community events;
- Maintain clean, standardized data collection in the Voter Action Network Alaska and update progress weekly;
- Travel to three different areas in Alaska to learn and help support The Alaska Center's Organizing Team.



Skills and Qualifications:

- 0-2 years of experience with grassroots organizing;
- Passion for The Alaska Center Education Fund's mission and three major policy platforms healthy fisheries,

climate solutions and a strong democracy;

- Ability to meaningfully engage Alaskans from diverse backgrounds;
- Innovation, ability to take risks, constant curiosity and desire to learn;
- Demonstrated volunteer recruitment, training and supervision skills;
- Demonstrated initiative and ability to work well independently;
- Strong communication skills for working with a team in different locations;
- Excellent organization and planning skills;
- Experience with coordinating events;
- Demonstrated ability to manage multiple projects, respond quickly to emerging opportunities, and be flexible to adapt to changing circumstances of dynamic organizations;
- Experience working with the Voter Activation Network (VAN) or voter data a plus.

This is a part-time position that must be based in Alaska. The Alaska Center Education Fund provides a supportive work environment. The Alaska Center Education Fund is an equal opportunity employer. Employment and promotional opportunities are based upon individual capabilities and qualifications without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, pregnancy, sexual orientation, age, national origin, marital status, citizenship, disability, veteran status, or any other protected characteristic as established under law.

Alaska Community Action on Toxics

Intern Job Title: Environmental and Community Health Researcher/Advocate

Location: Anchorage, Alaska with opportunities to conduct field work in remote locations/communities in rural Alaska

Description & Goals of Assignment:

The Environmental and Community Health Researcher/Advocate will conduct community-based field research, assist with educational and outreach programs, synthesize emerging scientific information, and prepare informational materials to inform and engage people in our state, national, and international policy work, while also offering information about safe alternatives to prevent harmful exposures to toxic chemicals. ACAT presents an opportunity to work with a small, dedicated, diverse and highly skilled staff, scientists, and health professionals in addressing environmental health and justice issues in Alaska. The intern will also have the opportunity to work with rural Alaska Native communities in conducting research, organizing, and advocacy to protect health and the environment.

Goals of Assignment:

- Gain experience in community-based research in Arctic Alaska by participating in a project that investigates the effects of endocrine-disrupting chemicals on fish, wildlife, and people, Protecting Future Generations;
- Conduct grassroots organizing as part of our integrated voter engagement program to achieve positive change in policies and laws;
- Conduct research and writing on environmental health topics (e.g. effects of endocrine-disrupting chemicals on wildlife and people, exposure to environmental chemicals and particular health outcomes, and synergistic effects of climate change).

Intern Responsibilities:

- Conduct community-based participatory research, environmental sampling, and educational activities as part of a collaborative program involving Alaska Native communities and university partners entitled Protecting the Health of Future Generations, a project supported by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS);
- Assist with grassroots organizing to engage citizens in the environmental health and justice policy work of Alaska Community Action on Toxics—this will include events organizing, phone and door canvassing, presentations at workshops, and tabling at summer events;
- Conduct research using peer-reviewed scientific journals and other literature sources on the particular vulnerabilities of Arctic ecosystems and communities to the combined effects of climate change and endocrine-disrupting chemicals;
- Assist staff in preparing fact sheets on chemicals that affect Arctic ecosystems and the health of Indigenous peoples to support ACAT's work on the international Stockholm Convention on Persistent Pollutants;
- Work with the ACAT Organic Gardening Coordinator to organize organic gardening workshops, work with volunteers in the community "Yarducopia" gardening program, build and maintain community gardens.
- Conduct research about safe alternatives and prepare informational materials for the Alaskan public.

Intern Qualifications:A

- Interest and experience in working with people of diverse cultures, particularly Indigenous communities;
- Interest and experience in conducting field sampling, scientific investigations, and/or environmental health research;
- Strong science or public health background and experience with community and/or environmental health and justice issues;
- Coursework in environmental health, environmental justice, biological sciences, environmental toxicology, or environmental law desirable;
- Experience in community organizing and outreach;
- Graduate student preferred (with focus in environmental or public health) or advanced undergraduate;
- Experience in organic and community gardening;
- Excellent research, writing and verbal skills to communicate effectively with the public (e.g. comfortable with public speaking, writing of information materials, e-communications and social media);
- Excellent computer skills and preferably with experience in graphic design and/or data base management and data analysis



Job Description for Conservation Intern

Position Profile:

Would you like to gain first-hand, real-world experience in the areas of conservation, fisheries policy and non-profit management while working in a dynamic, fun and supportive environment? Are you majoring in a field that shows interest and relevance for a career in the fields of sustainable fisheries management or conservation? If so, you may be a perfect fit for the Alaska Longline Fishermen's Association (ALFA) team. This internship opportunity with ALFA offers interns valuable networking possibilities and on-the-job experience. Under the leadership of the ALFA team, the work of the Alaska Conservation Intern will focus on the advocacy, outreach and communication of ALFA's Fisheries Conservation Network.

ALFA's Fishery Conservation Network (FCN), engages fishermen, scientists, community members and legislators in collaborative research and policy promotion to enhance resource stewardship and community resiliency. The FCN has engaged fishermen, community members, legislators and scientists in a number of collaborative projects to improve resource stewardship, sustainable fisheries and the viability of small-boat fishing.

Intern Job Title: Conservation Advocacy and Outreach Specialist

Location: The ALFA office is located in Sitka, Alaska and is housed at 834 Lincoln Street in the Sitka Sound Science Center near downtown Sitka. A photograph of the office can be found <u>here</u>. Or simply google Sitka Sound Science Center photos for other pictures.

Description & Goals of Assignment:

The core goals of the internship position would include assisting the ALFA leadership team in strategic advocacy at local, state and national levels utilizing outreach, communication and further development of ALFA's networks and programming to leverage partnerships and to advocate for resource stewardship, conservation policy and small-boat, conservation-minded fishermen.

Our primary goal with having an ACF intern would be a win-win situation where the ACF intern benefits from the rich learning environment and ALFA benefits from increased organizational capacity that comes from having another member of the ALFA team engaged in advocacy and outreach. More specifically, we will task our Intern with enriching ALFA communication materials to include a salmon component, with the initial focus on generating maps that track the temporal and spatial movements of Southeast Wild Chinook from natal stream to open ocean and back.

Intern Responsibilities:

Specific goals and a workplan for the conservation intern will be identified <u>with</u> the intern over the course of the intern's orientation to ALFA. While the core goals of the internship position (listed above) will guide the work of the ALFA conservation intern, the background, education and interests of the ALFA conservation intern will be taken into account before the workplan is finalized. Finalization of the work plan will take place within the week (and likely within the first day) of the intern's work at ALFA.

Intern Qualifications

- Excellent communication skills
- High level of attention to detail
- Responsible and self-motivated
- Ability to work with minimal oversight
- Physical ability to work alone or as part of a team
- Experience using Microsoft office products including Excel, PowerPoint, and Word
- GIS skills a plus!

For more information, please contact Linda Behnken, Executive Director (907) 747-3400 or <u>alfafish@acsalaska.net</u>

Ted Smith Conservation Internship Program Host Organization Application Form

I. Organization Information

Organization Name: Alaska Marine Conservation Council Address: PO Box 101145 Anchorage, AK 99510 Primary Contact & Title: Shannon Carroll, Deputy Director Primary Contact email: Shannon@akmarine.org Intern Supervisor Name & Title: Shannon Carroll, Deputy Director Intern Supervisor email: shannon@akmarine.org Phone: 907.382.1590 Website: www.akmarine.org

II. Internship Position Description

Please provide a brief description of the proposed internship position that includes the following information:

Intern Job Title: Fisheries Conservation Intern

Location: Anchorage, AK (with opportunities to travel to coastal Alaska, especially Homer and Kenai regions)

Description and Goals of Assignment: AMCC's summer intern will be an important team player who brings added capacity, energy, skill, and vision to help advance AMCC's mission. AMCC employs an innovative, triple-bottom line approach to fostering small-scale fisheries, community sustainability and long-term conservation in coastal Alaska. The intern will perform a variety of important duties specifically in support of efforts to reduce bycatch and catalyze community-based fishing opportunities. The intern will conduct outreach on behalf of AMCC in coastal Alaska, especially southcentral communities (Seward, Kenai, etc.) and play a lead role in creating new material that better tells the story of AMCC's work and more effectively engages the public.

Intern Responsibilities:

- Development and creation of compelling educational and outreach materials on bycatch and community-based fishing opportunities to be used online and as print hand-outs. The intern will help envision and develop (with assistance of graphic designer if needed) new tools, such as infographics that tell the story of vast amounts of bycatch and the flight of fishing opportunities from our coastal communities.
- Play a key role in planning and executing summer outreach activities and representing AMCC at events (such as Salmonstock, Salmon Daze, the Kenai Local Foods Festival, etc.) and on the ground in coastal communities, mostly those in southcentral Alaska.
- Assist with AMCC's Catch of the Season program as needed. This may include managing sales and logistics of our seafood sales offerings, delivering fish to Fairbanks, Homer, and Seward, and sales at summer farmers markets.
- Answer telephones and provide general organizational and administration support as needed during the summer.

Intern Qualifications:

- Have recently completed an undergraduate degree, or is enrolled in a undergraduate program at the junior or senior level. Should be pursuing or have obtained a degree in: communications, journalism, marketing, business, environmental studies, marine biology, fisheries or other field related to the position duties. Relevant course work or equivalent work experience will be considered.
- A strong eye for quality work, graphic design skills and a grasp of social media tools and capabilities.
- Well-organized and able to grasp and distill complex material; detail-oriented.
- Strong writing skills for external communications materials.
- Outgoing people-person, able to interact effectively and energetically with the public and to effectively and strategically communicate with a variety of individuals.
- Ability to work independently and as a team, and handle responsibility for events and projects. Should have previous event planning experience.
- Strong creative thinking skills; demonstrated implementation of innovative communications ideas a plus.
- Demonstrated commitment to conservation and progressive causes.
- Willingness to travel within the state and be outdoors for potentially long periods of time during events when conducting outreach.
- Ability to commit to completing the full length of internship. Willingness to work weekends at events (will receive comp. days for any weekends or extra hours worked).

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• Those from, or with ties to, Alaska's coastal communities are encouraged to apply.

Positition Title: Naturalist Intern– Peterson Bay Field Station (Summer 2018) Location: Homer, Alaska

Description and Goals of Assignment: A CACS Naturalist Intern will primarily be stationed at the Peterson Bay Field Station across Kachemak Bay. Our goals for an intern are: 1) to provide them in-depth knowledge about Alaska marine and forest ecosystem and local/regional environmental issues, 2) to provide training and experience in using environmental education skills to inspire and motivate people to preserve and protect Alaska's and their own home environments, 3) to have them contribute to CACS research and education programs by participating in a citizen monitoring project, 4) to design and carry out a project that will benefit CACS research. and/or education programs in some way, 5) to meet and network with other environmental educators int he Kachemak Bay area, and 5) to gain an understanding about the nature and role of non-profit organizations in Alaskan conservation work.

Intern Responsibilities

- Receive training and mentorship in local and regional marine and forest ecology and in interpretive, instruction, and group management techniques
- Develop and lead interpretive and natural history hikes and hands-on environmental education activities based out of the Peterson Bay Field Station, accessible only by boat.
- Participate in a citizen monitoring program such as coastal monitoring, GLOBE weather and precipitation, plankton monitoring, seastar wasting, etc.
- Assist with the Teen EcoAdventure Camp focusing on exploring the effects of climate change to Kachemak Bay and Alaska
- Complete a research or education project in consultation with CACS staff. Examples of past intern projects included: an octopus den survey, educational plant guides, and setting up an intertidal biodiversity inveterate monitoring program and plankton sampling
- Network with other Kachemak Bay environmental educators/ naturalists, including, CACS naturalists at the Wynn Nature Center, the Pratt Museum, Kachemak Bay Research Reserve, and hte Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge.

Intern Qualifications

- Academic background in marine biology, botany and/or forest ecology with field courses preferred
- Experience with teaching or interpretation preferred
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills; must be comfortable speaking in front of groups of all ages
- Good physical condition and willingness to live in a semi-remote location
- Maturity to live in group situations and work as part of a team



Cook Inletkeeper

Wild Salmon & Climate Change Intern

Homer, Alaska

Description: This internship will focus on salmon habitat protection in a changing climate. The intern will assist with Inletkeeper's field work to understand patterns of increasing water temperatures, which creates stress in salmon making them more vulnerable to pollution, predation and disease. The intern will also be involved with outreach activities to educate local citizens about clean water and healthy salmon. The intern will take the lead to create a short video of Alaskans and their connection to salmon using underwater clips and interviews.

The goals for this internship will be to enhance the intern's knowledge and skill sets, while furthering Inletkeeper's organizational objectives by:

- Understanding and communicating emerging impacts on salmon in a changing climate;
- Collecting field data to understand climate change effects on wild salmon;
- Educating Alaskans and tourists about the threats posed to salmon from ocean acidification and climate change;
- Engaging and activating a diverse range of partners around the issues of salmon and climate;
- Participating in each of our program areas on a variety of projects.

Intern Responsibilities:

- Producing a short video about Alaskans connection to wild salmon;
- Creating outreach materials to elevate the threats posed by climate change in the Cook Inlet watershed;
- Supporting Inletkeeper's organizing team in conducting public outreach on climate change, ocean acidification and the impacts on wild salmon;
- Supporting Inletkeeper's science team with field work and data entry related to climate change impacts in salmon streams;
- Writing blog posts and newsletter pieces on issues relevant to salmon and climate;
- Attending meetings, workshops and partner meetings as needed.

Intern Qualifications:

- Strong organizational skills and willingness to be flexible on a day-to-day basis
- Reasonable level of comfort participating in a week-long canoe trip and camping in backcountry conditions
- Ability to work well alone and in a team
- Solid writing, research and interpersonal relations skills
- Valid driver's license
- Familiarity with computers (Excel, Word, GIS) and GoPro cameras



Discovery Southeast

Internship Position Description

Intern Job Title: Outdoor Youth Educator Location: Juneau, AK

Organization:

For over 25 years Discovery Southeast's education and exploration programs have deepened Southeast Alaskans' connection with nature. We are a regional non-profit started by outdoor leaders in Southeast Alaska to ensure that local residents, particularly children, experience the outstanding natural areas that travelers from around the world come to visit. Today, with many of those same founders still involved, our programs teach children to experience, be comfortable in, and explore nature with a field-based, hands-on approach. We strive to reach all Juneau youth, particularly those who might not otherwise be introduced to the outdoors at a young age.

Description and Goals of Assignment:

The Outdoor Youth Educator will spend a portion of their time in the field, leading environmental education lessons and activities for groups of approximately 12 elementary age children. This is part of Discovery Southeast's hands-on environmental education summer camp, Outdoor Explorers. The adventure-full, week-long day camp introduces children to Juneau's natural areas through outdoor exploration, natural history, science based education, arts, and environmental education games and activities. The intern will spend another portion of their time working with administrative staff on outreach, communication and development projects for the organization. This will help administer the summer program, build connections within the community, as well as provide the intern with a better understanding of grassroots organization management.

Education:

The intern will work with field groups each week, leading hands-on nature education lessons and activities with the support of field naturalists. Interns will receive training and experience in inquiry based, hands-on field leadership as well as in Southeast Alaska natural history, which they can use to develop unique lessons that tie in with each week's theme. The intern will have office time and access to a wide variety of physical and digital resources to help plan their lessons, in addition to support and direction from Discovery Southeast resident naturalists.

Organization:

The intern will help Program Coordinator to contact summer camp parents, contact contractors, connect with field staff, and collect and post photos each week of camp. In addition to weekly summer camp organizational tasks, the intern will work with the Executive Director on member outreach, grant reporting, and possible development projects.

Intern Responsibilities:

• Prepare and facilitate fun, engaging lessons and activities with a focus on outdoor skills, natural history, and nature education;

• Provide support for, and ensure the physical and emotional safety and well being of a group of up to 13 children;

• Emphasize safety, risk management, good judgment, positive group interaction, and personal leadership;

• Take responsibility for some administrative communications with organization membership as well as families involved in summer camp.

• Undertake a community-building project or two on behalf of the organization.

• Perform weekly duties including: restocking supplies, cleaning the van, and other tasks as necessary.

Intern Qualifications:

• Experience with children, particularly experience in elementary education and group management;

• Experience leading groups outdoors, such as guiding, outdoor education, or interpretation;

• Basic competence with office software ranging from word processing to image editing;

• Comfort driving a 15 passenger van desired (not required)

• First Aid and Child/Infant CPR certification (or higher) by start of employment.

• Genuine interest in our goal of providing children formative experiences outdoors and a strong connection with nature.

Kenai Watershed Forum

Intern Job Title: Stream Watch Intern

Location: The KWF office is located in Soldotna. However, the position will encompass a large portion of the Kenai Peninsula including Kenai, Soldotna, Sterling, Kasilof and Cooper Landing.

Description and Goals of Assignment: The internship provides an opportunity to learn about ecological restoration efforts while facilitating environmental education on the Kenai Peninsula through the Stream Watch program. Stream Watch was founded in 1994 and continues to be an important river protection presence on local waters. Through peer-to-peer education Stream Watch volunteers are trained to share information on Leave No Trace, fishing regulations, bear safety, river protection, stream ecology, and ethical angling at popular Kenai Peninsula fishing sites.

The Stream Watch Intern will have the opportunity to develop and implement river protection projects via volunteers as well as train, engage and support volunteers while educating the public and enjoying the scenic beauty of the Kenai Peninsula. This position will spend approximately 60% of the time in the field with most of that time working directly with the public. The main goal of this position is to increase public knowledge on river protection issues on the Kenai Peninsula.

The Stream Watch Intern will focus on education, outreach and on-the-ground salmon habitat protection projects on the Kenai, Kasilof and Russian Rivers from May/June through August/September.

Intern Responsibilities:

- Provide effective on-river education to the general public to increase awareness of salmon habitat, site-specific rules and regulations and Leave No Trace principles (40%)
- Assist with the recruitment, training and support of education volunteers to increase program breadth and effectiveness across designated Kenai Peninsula sites (35%)
- Assist with the development and implementation of volunteer based river protection projects in conjunction with land managers and supervisory staff (20%)
- Other duties as assigned

Intern Qualifications:

- Background and/or strong interest in environmental education (formal or informal), restoration ecology or natural resource interpretation in an outdoor setting.
- Comfortable being outside in bear country for multiple hours in varied weather and terrain
- Strong interest and ability to effectively work directly with the general public
- Excellent professional communication and interpersonal skills
- Willingness to learn about the program and study/work
- Willingness and flexibility to work weekends and evenings
- Compliance with KWF, program and partner policies and procedures
- A valid driver's license with a clean driving record
- Must be able to work outdoors and walk/hike up to 2 miles and have the physical skills necessary to perform restoration activities involving some lifting (50lbs), bending, digging, working with tools, etc.
- Experience in environmental education, volunteer management, customer service and/or natural resource/ cultural interpretation a plus

Position Title: Environmental Communication and Eco-Advocacy Intern

Host Organizations: Sitka Conservation Society (www.sitkawild.org)

Location: Sitka, Alaska Duration: 3 month summer internship Compensation: Paid Internship with stipend for travel

Assignment: Work as part of a dynamic organization and team fighting to protect the largest remaining temperate rainforest in the world in Southeast Alaska by using communications to expose environmental destruction, corruption, and threats to our public lands in Alaska. The intern will use a variety of communication tools including design, graphics, social media, writing, and mass communication opportunities to get the public involved in environmental activism, expose bad management practices, and hold elected leaders accountable.

Responsibilities include:

- Use creative media and communication platforms to hold political leaders accountable to not taking action on climate change
- Create communication materials that inspire people to take action to protect the natural environment and get involved in grassroots efforts to defend public lands.
- Create communication materials that expose corrupt practices and efforts by corporations and politicians to extract resources for short-term profit at the long-term expense of the larger public
- Use creative and innovative approaches to tell stories that foster increased knowledge and understanding and promote civic and environmental action.
- Learn about Alaskan environmental issues and the management of public lands on the Tongass National Forest.
- Learn about forest ecology and management in a temperate rainforest and coastal ecosystems.
- Learn how salmon and fisheries in Alaska are a core part of the social, cultural, and economic identity of Southeast Alaska.
- Complete assignments as outlined by supervisor/project manager and work together with team members to follow our communications strategy, collect and curate content,, and create refined and finished communication products for use in advocacy and policy activism.

Qualifications/Skills/Required Training:

- Demonstrated commitment and investment in social change and environmental advocacy
- Familiarity with and background knowledge of environmental policy, especially in the context of advocacy and social change
- Passion for environmental causes and knowledge/background in political advocacy, campaigning, organizing, and engagement in the political process
- Ability to effectively work with people of diverse backgrounds
- High level of problem solving ability; high level of ability to work independently; high level of ability to adapt and innovate
- Demonstrated ability to create communication materials and represent issues and ideals through writing, design, video, graphics, etc.
- Interest in Alaska environment and policy governing public lands, Forest Service lands, climate change policy, etc.
- Interest in living with the land, community sustainability, sport/subsistence/commercial fishing, Alaska ways of life, and backcountry expeditions are a plus

Duration: Twelve weeks

Financial Support: SCS will provide a maximum gross wage of \$5040 for the three month position, paid in bi-weekly increments based on an hourly rate of \$10.50.

Southeast Alaska Conservation Council

Intern Title: Outreach and Online Engagement Intern

Location: Juneau

Description and Goals:

The Outreach and Online Engagement Intern will work closely with SEACC's Communications and Online Coordinator, Bryn Fluharty to develop and implement outreach events and oversee the new online app Tongass Snapshots. Tongass Snapshots is an app that SEACC has received funding to customize to our needs. It was originally developed by Chesapeake Commons in conjunction with Potomac Waterkeepers to encourage citizens to document, map, and report pollution. Our needs are different: rather than documenting pollution, our goal is to record inspirational, intact ecosystems and display them on maps that identify and show land management designations and ecological values, to help the visitor understand the place they're exploring. The intern will assist SEACC staff in promoting the app with locals and tourists interested in sharing their experiences in Southeast and the places that are important for them. They will be developing media around the project and disseminating information on what it is and how to participate.

The intern will participate in outreach activities here in Juneau and possibly in other locations throughout Southeast, depending on travel funds available. They will help staff prepare for and run outreach events such as SEACC's summer bonfires in Juneau and the Ketchikan Blueberry Festival. This is a fun way for them to engage our supporters, share their knowledge of the organization, and build skills required for outreach and activism such as interacting with the public and speaking with supporters about a variety of issues.

Additionally, the intern will help promote SEACC on social media, developing content such as blogs and videos to be used for a variety of projects such as fundraising.

SEACC has a long and storied history as the regional conservation organization working to preserve the best of the Tongass National Forest and the abundant Inside Passage Waters. The Outreach and Online Engagement Intern will get an up close and personal view of the inner workings of an advocacy-oriented nonprofit. The intern's work will be critical to SEACC's goal of engaging new people, particularly online, with the exciting new app SEACC is developing.

Responsibilities:

- Photography: Capture inspiring photos for use in SEACC publications and online, guesthost SEACC's Instagram account over the summer, create memes and other graphics for use on social media.
- Tongass Snapshots: Use and test the new app. Capture photos of Southeast and utilize them in the new app testing it and making the app more visible. Promote the program to locals and tourists.
- Videography: Create several one-minute films to further SEACC's education, advocacy, and fundraising goals.
- Outreach: Help plan and coordinate summer community engagement activities such as public bonfires.

Qualifications:

- Strong photography, videography, and social media skills.
- Highly organized with keen attention to detail.
- Self-directed, with good communications skills, ability to work with a team, and proven follow-through.
- Passion for preserving the rugged, wet rainforests of Southeast Alaska.

Desirable:

- Background in ecology, biology, conservation policy, or a similar field of study.
- Experience working on issue or political campaigns.
- Interest and/or experience in developing or testing apps.

Yukon River Inter-Tribal Watershed Council

Job Title: Science Intern Location: Anchorage, Alaska

Description of Goals of Assignment:

The intern position will work in support of the YRITWC's programs and goal. This will include work in support of the Science Department.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Accompany and assist Anchorage Science Department at on-site trainings and collection of water samples in rural Alaska
- Assist with coordination of incoming samples from villages and outgoing samples to USGS in
- Boulder, CO.
- Data entry
- Research and create outreach product(s) with supervision.
- Assist with three Talking Circles about mining issues in rural Yukon River communities
- Transcribe interviews
- Accompany the Science Director to community trainings and stakeholder meetings.
- Travel with the team on the Yukon River by canoe

Intern Qualifications:

- Excellent communication skills to a variety of audiences.
- Strong computer skills & efficiency with Microsoft programs (Excel, Word, Powerpoint, etc.).
- Outdoor experience
- Driver's license with excellent driving record
- Willingness to travel to remote parts of Alaska by bush plane, commercial planes, ATC and boat (canoe).
- GIS experience preferred, but not necessary.
- An interest in science to support decision making
- An interest in water quality for human health, and the effects of climate change to water quality
- An interest in issues concerning Indigenous peoples