EUGENIE CLARK FIELD RESEARCH SKILLS AND LEADERSHIP PROGRAM



Minorities in Shark Sciences is offering a full-time paid training experience in shark research. Participants will receive mentorship from scientists from Havenworth Coastal Conservation, Chicago Zoological Society's Sarasota Dolphin Research Program, and Minorities in Shark Sciences and participate in on-vessel field-based research, receiving hands-on experience deploying gear, handling, identifying, tagging, and releasing sharks, rays, and bony fish, as well as collecting biological (morphological measurements, blood and tissue samples) and environmental (water quality) data. Additionally, participants will learn to design and deliver public outreach content on the biology, ecology, and conservation concerns of local shark and ray species. Participants may also assist with processing biological samples, maintaining sampling gear and water quality monitoring equipment, and recording, entering, and analyzing data. Participants will also receive full financial support to attend the Joint Meeting of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists conference with the mentors in July.

Eligibility

This program is primarily geared towards early-career scientists (post-undergraduate through early professional) who need hands-on experience to progress towards their career goals, but current undergraduates may also be considered.

Applications from underrepresented groups in STEM (including women, racial/ethnic minorities, LGBTQIA+, and persons with disabilities) and those who have experienced interruptions in their educational or career pathways are strongly encouraged.

Physical Requirements

Participants should be able to lift up to 50 lbs, be comfortable spending long days in the field, and be able to work aboard boats in the marine inshore and offshore environment.

Duration

May 22 – July 28, 2023 (10 weeks)

Financial Support

Participants will receive a \$7,800 stipend + mileage reimbursement. Participants are responsible for their own meals and means of transportation to/from work sites. Note: Housing is not provided. This opportunity is geared towards students who live, work or study in Florida, specifically: Hillsborough, Pinellas, Manatee, Sarasota, Desoto, and Charlotte counties.

Application



Due March 15.





