



California State University
MONTEREY BAY

Graduate Student Assistant

2020 Sea Lion Bowl

Coastal Marine Ecosystems Program, CSU Monterey Bay



Are you a local graduate student interested in science education and want to be part of inspiring young leaders from around Northern and Central California in ocean science? If so, the Coastal Marine Ecosystems Program invites you to apply for our graduate assistant position to help plan and run the 2020 [Sea Lion Bowl](#) at California State University, Monterey Bay.

The Coastal and Marine Ecosystems Program ([CMEP](#)) is a research and education program at California State University, Monterey Bay ([CSUMB](#)). CMEP supports basic research to increase our understanding of coastal and marine ecosystems from coastal wetlands to the open ocean and deep sea. CMEP research efforts are paired with education and outreach programs that engage diverse stakeholder groups and, provide training for a new generation of ocean scientists.

The Sea Lion Bowl is one of 25 regional ocean science high school competitions, the winners of which compete in the overarching final [National Ocean Sciences Bowl](#) (NOSB), sponsored by the [Consortium for Ocean Leadership](#). The NOSB was created in 1998 to expand ocean science education, enhance public understanding and promote stewardship of the ocean. Each year our regional Sea Lion Bowl brings 20-30 junior and varsity high school teams from around Northern California and the Central Coast to CSUMB to compete and share their passion for ocean science.

Job Description & Duties

The primary responsibility of the Sea Lion Bowl Graduate Assistant is to support event development, and share information and updates on the 2020 competition as part of the overarching NOSB vision. Other tasks include:

- Assisting the Sea Lion Bowl regional coordinator/CMEP Education Director with event planning, set up, and management.
- Collaborating with CMEP staff to communicate and facilitate the event
- Helping recruit, train and manage event volunteers, as well as high school teams

Qualifications

We seek a self-starting, local graduate student with the following interests and experience:

- You have strong interest in ocean education and outreach, and enthusiastic about community building
- You are detail-oriented, excel at organization, and can meet deadlines under pressure
- You have a knack for sharing posts on social media that encourage engagement
- You have some experience editing websites or blogs, e.g. using WordPress
- You have some experience organizing educational activities or events for others
- You possess strong communication skills
- You are able to work independently, but seek guidance from your peers where necessary

Hours and Compensation

This position requires a commitment of 10-20 hours per week through Feb 15, 2020, beginning Dec 2019.

Compensation is \$15/hour. Evening and weekend work that requires travel around the Monterey Bay area is involved.

To apply: Please email a cover letter and a resume, including three references to: cme@csumb.edu, attention Dr. Laura Good, CMEP Education Director. Questions can be directed to the same email address.

Deadline: Nov 25, 2019

Start Date: Dec 2019