Smithsonian Environmental Research Center (SERC)
Internship Program Summer 2021
(Remote)

APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 15, 2021 at 11:59PM ET

This is a Career and Civic Engagement Center Partner Internship funded by Bryn Mawr College. The selected student will participate in the Beyond Bryn Mawr Summer Funding Program.

A complete application includes 3 steps:
(1) A one-page resume and personal essay through this Handshake listing
(2) The Summer Funding Partners Application Form, and
(3) The Online SERC Application, which consists of a registration form, personal essay, resume, transcripts, and two letters of recommendation using the Smithsonian Online Academic Appointments (SOLAA) system.

The Smithsonian Environmental Research Center's (SERC) Internship Program offers undergraduate and beginning graduate students a unique opportunity to gain hands-on experience in the fields of environmental research and public engagement. This program enables students to work on independent research projects under the direction of a SERC mentor.

Since 2001 the SERC internship program has been a National Science Foundation REU (Research Experience for Undergraduates) site. With this funding, along with generous donations from the Smithsonian Women's Committee and university partnerships, we are able to provide internship opportunities to qualified students looking to further their knowledge in the natural sciences.

Interns projects span the range of research conducted at SERC, including environmental chemistry, marine and estuarine ecology, molecular ecology, and terrestrial ecology. Projects are also offered in public engagement, with opportunities in environmental education, citizen science, and science writing. Although students
will become familiar with much of the research of SERC in general, individuals will devote most of their time to an independent research project. Students will have the opportunity to expand their knowledge in a selected field of study and to learn a variety of research techniques through firsthand experience. At the conclusion of the internship, student participants will be expected to present the findings of their independent projects in a formal seminar to the SERC community.

This is a 10 week full-time internship. The stipend for this internship is $6,000 (minus taxes). For Summer 2021, the SERC Internship Program will take place virtually.

For more information, please visit the SERC website at https://serc.si.edu/pro_training/internships/projectmenu.aspx or email SERCintern@si.edu

SERC has worked in partnership with the Career & Civic Engagement Summer Internship Partner Program since Summer 2015 to provide the opportunity for a Bryn Mawr student to take part in their Summer Internship Program based in Edgewater, MD.