

Announcement

Volunteer for the project: Marine Invasive Species (Biomar)

Application deadline: July 15th, 2019

Starting date: August 12th, 2019

Duration: 3 months (minimum)

Introduction

As a volunteer, you will be undertaking work both in the field and laboratory, using standardized methods to collect samples, identify species and log data. You will join a small team on regular trips to local beaches and shorelines to conduct different monitoring techniques. As part of your volunteer placement you may also have the opportunity to visit remote sites, visit tourist sites on board a cruise ship, or visit other islands to sample beaches and shorelines. The laboratory work will include using light microscopes to identify organisms and cataloguing samples.

Required profile

- Marine Biology or biology degree (MSc an advantage).
- Interest and enthusiasm for marine invasive species
- Basic computer skills; Excel, Word, PowerPoint.
- Keen to work outdoors.
- Good communicator of scientific ideas for a range of audiences.
- Excellent written communication.
- Experience to analyze biological samples and manage databases.
- Statistical knowledge would be an advantage.
- Good swimmer, know how to snorkel (Diving is an advantage).
- Have leadership and be able to work as a team

Responsibilities

- As part of the marine invasive species program, you will be involved in a wide range of scientific endeavors. From scientific research, public speaking and report writing, you will gain experience in the basics of scientific research. This will be an exciting opportunity for anyone who enjoys a diverse workload and wants to pursue further study or a career in marine biology.

Terms

The Volunteer reports directly to the project coordinator and the project scientist. The successful candidate will be based at the Charles Darwin Foundation Research Station (CDFRS) on Santa Cruz Island in the Galapagos, Ecuador. A volunteer assignment with CDF does not imply a continuing relationship with the volunteer beyond the expected duration of the assignment. The CDF will provide the equipment and materials needed for the project.

The volunteer is expected to work a minimum of 40 hours per week, from 7:45 - 12:30 and 14:00 – 17:15. Due to project activities, such as fieldtrips, this schedule may change.

The volunteer will faithfully comply with the rules of the Internal Regulations and the CDF Procedure's Manual, as well as perform its field work strictly following the rules and regulations of the GNPD.

How to apply?

People interested in this position will send their application form and accompanying documents in a single PDF file with your name to the following e-mail vol@fcdarwin.org.ec