

**2011 Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies  
High School Internship Program  
Application**

The purpose of this internship program is to provide a variety of practical experiences to high school age youth at both facilities operated by the Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies, the Wynn Nature Center and the Peterson Bay Field Station. Learning opportunities at these facilities have been designed to help you gain skills that will help you in a future career. Through participation in this internship you will spend time developing skills in preparation for future careers and have an opportunity to earn Service Learning volunteer hours as is required by many school districts.

**Position:** Naturalist Intern & Camp Counselor

**Internship duration:** June 20 – July 31

*Please print or type clearly.*

**Contact Information**

Name:	Grade in School:
Address:	
Phone:	Email:
School:	
School Address:	

**Skills and Experience**

What special skills, interests, or talents do you have that would make you a good naturalist intern or camp counselor?

Have you attended Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies programs?    Yes                      No

If yes, which programs?

Why are you interested in being an intern at the Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies?

Please describe your previous experiences with marine and forest biology or environmental education. (Include coursework, special training, volunteer work or hobbies)

### **Learning Opportunities**

Learning Opportunities at CACS have been designed to help you gain skills that will help you in a future career. Please let us know which of the following learning opportunities are of interest to you. Please check all that apply.

- Teacher/Naturalist Aide (apprentice to teacher/naturalist in educational programs for young children)
- Research and monitoring
- Public relations and media (taking photos and writing news releases, developing flyers and brochures)
- Ambassador or greeter (greeting visitors at the Wynn Nature Center cabin, helping with booths at local events, helping at the Yurt on the Spit)

### **Scheduling**

*Naturalist Intern & Counselor: June 21 – July 31*

We ask that our interns are at the Wynn Nature Center for a minimum of 8 hours weekly. We strive to accommodate your schedule and you may volunteer any time that you are available. There are opportunities 7 days a week during the operating hours of the Wynn Nature Center. Please check all sessions that you are available.

- Tuesdays and Thursdays Afternoons (12:00 – 4:00pm)
- Wednesdays and Fridays Mornings (9:30am – 1:30pm)
- Friday evenings (4:30 – 8:30pm)
- Saturday (9:30 – 1:30) or (1:30 – 5:30)
- Sunday afternoon (1:30 – 5:30)

If you have special scheduling problems such as weeks when you will not be available, times when you are not available, etc. please list them below.

Interns will serve as camp counselors at our residential Junior Naturalist Camp for 9-12 year olds and will be required to attend all camp activities, as well as 4 days of camp counselor training.

***Training: July 6 - 8, 10am-1pm***

Junior Naturalist camp requires two days (10:00 – 5:00) at the Wynn Nature Center and two days, two nights at Peterson Bay Field Station (depart for Peterson Bay on July 12 and return at 4:00pm July 14).

If you have special scheduling conflicts with this schedule please indicate them below.

Intern will also serve as a camp counselor for Whale Camp, a three day camp (July 29- July 31) in Seldovia ending with a whale watching cruise. Please check the box to the left if you are interested and available for this camp.

If you have special scheduling conflicts with this schedule please indicate them below.

### **References**

Please list the name, address and phone of a person, other than your parents, who has knowledge of your work and your interest.