Oregon Applied Sustainability Experience (OASE) 2019 Summer Student Internship Program

Application Deadline

For full consideration, applications must be received by Friday, April 12, by 5:00 p.m. PST. We will accept applications until Monday, April 22 by 5:00 p.m. PST.

What is Pollution Prevention?

Pollution prevention (P2) is any practice that reduces, eliminates, or prevents pollution at its source, also known as "source reduction." Implementing P2 best practices can improve efficiency, prevent wasted resources and save money.

As an OASE intern

You will be matched with an Oregon business to create sustainability solutions for industry practices. During this 10-week internship, you will conduct research that can help improve efficiency, save money, and prevent/reduce waste. Project topics include energy or water audits, toxics reduction, green chemistry, and life cycle assessment. Read the Host Businesses Project Descriptions very carefully to determine which project best suits your interests, skills and knowledge.

Additionally, you will benefit from:

- Hands on experience in project development and management
- Collaboration with industry
- Mentorship by an OASE engineer or scientist
- Communicating science to interdisciplinary audiences

2019 OASE Host Businesses:

1. AntFarm; Sandy, OR
2. Grand Central Bakery; Portland, OR
3. Stumptown Coffee Roasters; Portland, OR
4. East West Tea Company, LLC (Yogi); Eugene, OR
5. Green Hammer; Portland, OR
6. RiverBend Materials; Salem, OR
7. Stoller Wine Group; Dayton, OR

FULL PROJECT DETAILS AVAILABLE HERE: OASE 2019 Student Projects

Eligibility

Internships are open to any student in Oregon who are juniors or seniors or have obtained graduate or advanced undergraduate training in business, economics, engineering, environmental science, green chemistry, physical science, or sustainability science.

How to Apply

Applications to Oregon Sea Grant are received through eSeaGrant. While we encourage electronic submission of your application, if this is not a possibility, please contact Sarah Kolesar for alternate accommodations.

If you do not already have an account with eSeaGrant, create an account to access the fellowship application by the following:

1. Go to eseagrant.oregonstate.edu
2. Click the “REGISTER” tab on the top right corner of the login “box”.
3. Follow the instructions—you will get two verification codes through the process. One by email and the other by phone.
4. Once you create your account and log in, you should see the OASE application in your “Current Tasks”.
5. If you have any issues with this process, send an email to eseagrant@oregonstate.edu.

Important dates

- OASE Summer Program: June 17 - August 30, 2019
- Mandatory Training/Orientation: Thursday, June 20; Salem, OR
- Fall presentation September - October; Corvallis, OR (Portland presentation date TBD)

Stipend Amount

$5000 per student for a full-time, 10-week internship (Interns must be available to work onsite at the businesses on a daily basis). Housing costs are not provided, but limited funds may be available to support program-related expenses.

OASE Internship Review Criteria – 20 points total

1. The student’s articulated goals for what they want out of the position align with project objectives. (0 – 5 points, poor to excellent)

2. Applicant has skills relevant to the position. Which include the following: lifecycle assessment, cost benefit analysis, energy audit, economic / sustainability analysis, materials/waste management. (0 - 5 points, poor to excellent)

3. Student degree aligns with those identified by host. (0 - 5 points, poor to excellent)

4. Priority for graduating / graduated students. (0 - 2 points)

5. Priority for students who would benefit from this experience (have not already had similar opportunities). (0 - 3 points)

Contact Information

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