



THE OUR WORLD-UNDERWATER SCHOLARSHIP  
SOCIETY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM  
Summer 2010

The Reef Environmental Education Foundation (REEF)  
Marine Conservation Internship

Website: <http://www.reef.org>

### About REEF

The Reef Environmental Education Foundation is a grass-root, non-profit organization of recreational divers dedicated to protecting and preserving the underwater environment. Major programs include: the REEF Fish Survey Project, utilizing volunteer divers to conduct fish biodiversity and abundance surveys during their dives; Exotic Species campaign, addressing invasive/exotic marine species; Grouper Moon spawning aggregation project; and Advanced Assessment projects helping to determine effects of marine management actions on fish populations.

### The Marine Conservation Internship

Offered in Key Largo, Florida, the Marine Conservation Internship provides college age juniors, seniors and graduate students the opportunity to experience working at a nonprofit environmental organization.

Outside duties include environmental presentations to local and visiting school, university, dive and public groups; working with other local marine conservation entities; and opportunities for conducting marine life surveys during local dives. Office duties include handling memberships, incoming marine life survey data, answering e-mail and dealing with the public.

**Length of Internship:** 3 to 4 months, with specific timing to be coordinated between intern and sponsor

## Eligibility Criteria:

- Is scuba certification required?      Yes
  - Useful skill sets:
    - Marketing
    - Marine Biology
    - Other
- Marine management, public speaking, computer skills, written and oral proficiency in the English language

## Budget

A grant of \$2,000 will help to cover travel to/from site, room, board and related living expenses. The Internship Sponsor will assist in arranging housing. Interns will be given a monthly stipend to cover these incurred costs. Transportation and Scuba equipment must be provided by the intern.

All expenses must be approved expenses or have the written approval of the Internship Coordinator. Any expenses that are unapproved or are above the grant amount will be the responsibility of the intern.

## Written Report

Upon completion of the Internship, the recipient will be required to complete a written review of his or her experience.