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Dr. Glen H. Egstrom Divers Alert Network (DAN) Diver's Health and Safety Outreach Internship



ABOUT DAN

The world's most recognized and respected dive safety organization, Divers Alert Network (DAN) has remained committed to the health and well-being of divers for 40 years. The organization's research, medical services, and global response programs create an extensive network that supports divers with vital services such as injury prevention, educational programs, and lifesaving evacuations. Every year, hundreds of thousands of divers around the world look to DAN as their dive safety organization.

INTERNSHIP DESCRIPTION

Dr. Glen Egstrom was an avid diver and brilliant scientist, recipient of DEMA's *Reaching Out Award*, mentor to many, and pioneer in diving safety research and communication. He dedicated a significant portion of his career to diving safety by improving diver and instructor training, diving equipment, fitness to dive, diver conditioning, and underwater performance. This internship experience exposes the selected applicant to the research and education initiatives at Divers Alert Network (DAN) with a special focus on research- and safety-related outreach initiatives, like creating email campaigns, social media content, video and editorial content for DAN's *Alert Diver* and Newsletters, and other dive industry partners' publications.

This internship will be flexibly tailored to the recipient's interests based on the available experiences and projects being conducted by DAN at the time of the internship. The selected intern will have the opportunity to participate in continuing education courses; gain a deeper understanding of diving physiology and medicine; learn to prepare, plan, and conduct scientific experiments; and manage diving research and safety-related marketing campaigns. The intern will be interacting with other DAN departments and divers during research and other outreach events and communicating about these events to the diving community at large.

NOTE: While diving is not required during the internship, all activities are diving focused, and candidates should thus be certified scuba divers with some experience.

LOCATION and DURATION

Divers Alert Network will host the experience at its headquarters in Durham, NC, for 12 weeks during the summer. Specific timing and duration of the internship will be set between the selected intern and the coordinating DAN sponsor.

ELIGIBILITY

- Scuba certification required, with some experience.
- A background in communication, marketing, the life sciences, or other diving-related field
- Ideal candidates must:
 - be organized,
 - demonstrate excellent communication skills,
 - clearly exhibit how participation in this program will help them achieve their career goals,
 - demonstrate an established commitment to diving.

SUPPORT

A stipend will be provided to cover travel to and from internship sites, housing, food, and other essential internship-related expenses.