



2025 Docent Recruitment Notice

The Research Experience & Education Facility
Marine Science Institute
University of California, Santa Barbara
Winter Quarter 2025

***The Marine Science Institute (MSI) at UCSB is seeking
People with a passion for the Pacific!***

Dive into '25!!! Do you LOVE...

- A) The Ocean?**
- B) Teaching?**
- C) Marine Life?**
- D) ALL OF THE ABOVE?!?!?**

If so, have we got a gig for YOU! Become a REEFer!!

About The REEF

For the past 20 years, [The REEF](#), UCSB's teaching aquarium located at Campus Point Beach has provided Our Maritime Community, from K12 and undergraduate and graduate courses to the general public, an "Ocean View of the World!"

Docent Program

Love Teaching?

Informal Science Educators (ISEs) are responsible for supporting online and in-person programs. These programs introduce students from kindergarten to the graduate-level as well as local community members to Our Maritime Community, current research at UCSB, and a variety of marine organisms. On Fridays and Saturdays, the REEF has Open Door hours where we educate and inform campus and community members about Our Maritime Community!

Love Marine Life?

Become a part of the Marine Organism Support Team (MOST), and assist REEF Aquarists with husbandry (feeding, cleaning, etc) and facility maintenance! Aquarium Facility
REEF Organism Care

If you are interested in working at the REEF, in either education, husbandry, or BOTH, READ ON!

- **Requirements:**
 - Ability to work with groups in an educational manner and setting
 - Passion for the ocean and caring for animals
 - Must be highly motivated, detail-oriented, and reliable
 - Highly engaging verbal communication skills

This is a part-time internship for 2025. Working hours are Monday-Saturday.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Training Manual- Species Identification, Oceans-2-Classrooms model, and Facility Orientation (2 hr)- Facility Training (2 hr)- Program Training (2 hr) |
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- IACUC training
- Commit to weekly schedule
- Minimum 6 hr/wk for 10 weeks
- Support for program (Educator) and/or facility (Husbandry) aspects of The REEF

To apply, please email the following materials to msi-outreach@ucsb.edu with the subject “REEFGuideWinter, 2025” by midnight on December 20th, 2024:

- **Cover letter**
- **Resume**
- **Winter quarter schedule (rough schedule okay)**
- **One-minute video (description of what to include in the video on the following page).**

*Address all application materials to Scott E. Simon.

*Make sure your application materials are shared via Google Drive with outreach@msi.ucsb.edu, AND scott.simon@ucsb.edu as well.

*Format your application materials as follows:

- Title files with your first initial and last name as shown:
 - Example: X_Xxyzz_coverletter.pdf, X_Xxyzz_resume.pdf, X_Xxyzz_schedule.pdf, X_Xxyzz_video.mp4
- Send documents in PDF format and video in MP4 or MOV format

*Incomplete applications will not be considered

Interviews will be held, daily, in person during the first and second week of Winter Quarter from 8AM-1PM.

You must be available during that time.

****** Late applications will not be considered.**

Video Requirements

- In your video, please include:
 - Your name
 - Pronouns
 - Your year in school
 - Your major
 - Your hometown
 - A brief introduction to an organism (see options below) as if you’re speaking to a group of people including:
 - Etymology
 - One fun fact
 - Choose an organism from one of the following phyla:
 - Poriferans, Cnidarians, Annelids, Arthropods, Molluscs, Echinoderms, Chordata, or a marine plant/algae
- In your video, we are looking for:
 - Personality & engagement
 - Video composition
 - An introduction. This is not meant to be a complete lesson, just an introduction of yourself and what you *may cover during this imaginary lesson*.
 - We are NOT looking for video editing skills, please do not edit your video in any way