OREGON MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Internship Title: Early Childhood Education Intern       Department: Museum Education
Reports To: Science Playground Educators

INTERNSHIP SUMMARY:
The Science Playground and Discovery Lab are OMSI's areas where young children are able to learn and explore in fun, educational settings. The Early Childhood Education Intern will assist education staff in the development and maintenance of Science Playground, assist parents and children in experiencing activities and exhibits, and help to ensure the safety of our youngest visitors and their families. At the supervisor’s discretion, some of the intern’s time may be spent on special projects.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES TO HELP MAINTAIN THE HALL:
• Assist in the development, presentation and resetting of daily activities in Science Playground.
• Interact with a wide age range of visitors to help them explore and learn from exhibits and lab activities.
• Share accurate science and museum information with guests.

QUALIFICATIONS:
• Strong communication, customer service, and problem-solving skills.
• Interest in early childhood education and child development.
• Eager to present science process and content in an engaging way to young children.
• Ability to take initiative.
• Ability to teach and to model adult-child interactions for positive early learning experiences.
• Must be able to bend and stoop as needed to maintain integrity, appearance, and safety of the area.
• Must be dependable and punctual, and be willing to commit to a schedule.
• Must present a professional personal appearance.

EDUCATION AND WORK EXPERIENCE:
• Working toward a degree in early childhood education, child development, education, or science with college coursework in early childhood education
• Experience working with the public and/or young children highly desirable.

TIME COMMITMENT:
Minimum of 8 hours/week for at least three months. Extension of internship negotiable.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:
OMSI’s Early Childhood Education internship has specific application deadlines for each season. These deadlines are:

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While applications only need to be submitted by the deadline in order to be fully considered, early applications are encouraged.

For more information, contact Volunteer Services at 503.797.4693 or VolunteerServices@omsi.edu.
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