



## WORK-STUDY OPPORTUNITY

Position Title: Citizen Science and Forum  
Community Engagement Student  
Reports To: Life Sciences Coordinator

Department: Museum Education  
Location of Workspace: Life Lab, Design  
Office and various locations around  
Portland

### SUMMARY OF POSITION:

The Citizen Science and Forum Community Engagement Student (CSF-CES) will support the work of the Education Department in coordinating a climate change related public forum and citizen science project in partnership with community organizations. The CSF-CES position will assist with researching climate change hazards (notably extreme heat,) developing community partnerships, and planning a citizen science project and public forum. The CSF-CES has three main roles: (1) assist and work alongside staff exploring extreme heat as a climate change hazard, (2) facilitate climate change related educational activities, including a public forum and (3) recruit for and coordinate a citizen science program. At the supervisor's discretion, some of the student's time may also be spent on special projects.

### EXPERIENCES THIS POSITION WILL PROVIDE:

- Networking and assisting with building community partnerships
- Knowledge of best practices of evidence-based climate change communication
- Knowledge of event coordination
- Experience working in a collaborative environment with paid and unpaid staff of a variety of ages, experiences, and backgrounds
- Experience in informal science education
- Project management skill building
- Research and evaluation opportunities

### KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS/ABILITIES:

*What we are looking for:*

- Commitment to advocating for practices of equity and inclusion.
- Interest or experience in working with youth.
- Self-directed and willing to take initiative.
- Strong communication, customer service, and problem-solving skills.
- Present a professional personal appearance.
- Must be dependable, punctual, and willing to commit to a schedule.
- Ability to manage time effectively with multiple tasks and in a shared workspace.
- Strong computer skills, particularly using Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and Outlook
- Reliable transportation

For more information, contact Volunteer Engagement at 503-797-4615 or [Volunteer@omsi.edu](mailto:Volunteer@omsi.edu). Visit our website at [www.omsi.edu](http://www.omsi.edu). OMSI is located at 1945 SE Water Ave, Portland, OR 97214



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### TRAINING YOU WILL RECEIVE:

- General informal science education philosophies and pedagogy
- Museum safety and emergency response

### SCHEDULE:

- Minimum of 4 hours a week during Spring Session (Jan-May)
- Shifts could take place on Tuesday – Saturday between 9:00 am and 5:30 pm

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Recognizing and promoting of science process skills
- Fostering learner-driven investigations
- Best practices for sharing scientific concepts with the public
- Gaining knowledge of museum culture and practices
- Cultivating relationships through community-building
- Coordinating and implementing small and large educational programs

### HOW TO APPLY:

This position is only available to students who have been awarded Federal Work-Study funding as part of their financial aid award package. To apply and submit your [online application](#), along with a resume and cover letter. As part of the hiring process you may be invited to interview. If hired you will need to complete a background check.