

# Position Available 2019 R/V Buzzards Baykeeper Intern

# **Background**

The Buzzards Bay Coalition is a non profit environmental advocacy organization focused on the protection, restoration and sustainable use and enjoyment of Buzzards Bay and its watershed. We pursue our mission to save Buzzards Bay through research, conservation, education, and advocacy.

The Coalition's 27' R/V Buzzards Baykeeper, docked in Fairhaven, MA, is used as a platform to take water quality samples around the Bay. These functions support the organization's objectives of using good information on the Buzzards Bay ecosystem and its response to human-related impacts in order to guide restoration and protection efforts.

#### **Position**

The Buzzards Bay Coalition is seeking an energetic and enthusiastic intern to support its on-water operations for summer 2019. The Intern will assist the Captain of the R/V Buzzards Baykeeper with our monitoring activities in Buzzards Bay and Vineyard Sound, including the collection of water samples and the deployment and retrieval of the Coalition's monitoring buoy. The intern will be trained to use water monitoring equipment by the Coalition's Director of Monitoring Programs. The intern will be responsible for operating water quality monitoring equipment and for the accurate recording and reporting of water quality monitoring data. The intern must be capable of working under physical conditions in the field and comfortable working on small vessels. Because the work is weather dependent, the Intern needs to be flexible and adaptable.

#### **Qualifications**

At least two years of college. Basic swimming skills and familiarity around boats. Interest in the environment and water quality protection. Skilled at working both independently and as part of a team. Availability in the early mornings ( $\sim$ 6 - 9am). Commitment to work a minimum of 15 hours a week.

## **Compensation**

This position is unpaid; however, we will work with the intern to obtain school credit if available and can certify the number of hours spent at sea.

## To Apply

To apply for the 2019 summer, email a resume including contact information for three references and a cover letter explaining why you would like to intern with the Buzzards Bay Coalition, to: Gary Coe, at boatcaptain@savebuzzardsbay.org