



Part-Time Instructor Position Description

Join our Instructor Core! At Ocean Discovery Institute we use science to engage young people from urban, underserved backgrounds and empower them to transform their lives, their community, and ultimately our world as science and conservation leaders. We've received the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring, and most recently we were recognized as a [CNN Hero](#).

As a Part-Time Instructor, you'll facilitate hands-on science programming for K-12 students attending public schools in City Heights, empowering them to Believe, Achieve, and Lead in science and conservation. Part-Time instructors provide high-quality programming across all Ocean Discovery programs and participate in regular professional development opportunities to continually develop teaching and facilitation techniques.

Responsibilities/Deliverables:

- Implement engaging and consistent hands-on science programming to K – 12 students during both in-school and out-of-school programs.
- Facilitate diverse curricula including in-classroom lessons, Ocean Discovery's Living Lab, and on coastal field trips.
- Facilitate program logistics, including supply management, classroom teacher support, and family engagement after school.
- Mentor AmeriCorps Fellows serving as instructional assistants and support program volunteers.
- Participate in program and professional development training.

Qualifications:

- 2 years of teaching experience, preferably in informal science education.
- Passion for, commitment to, and understanding of Ocean Discovery mission.
- Demonstrate a deep understanding of the community we serve, dedicated to the concept of promoting equal opportunity for young people from underserved urban communities of color.
- Interest in STEM, conservation, youth development, education, recreation, social justice, or non-profit fields.
- Demonstrate understanding of local marine environments.
- Enthusiasm for continued professional development. Ability to integrate instructional feedback and coaching.
- Well organized, self-starter with a positive attitude.
- Demonstrate ability to work in a fast-paced, energetic, dynamic environment.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills (both written and verbal).
- Ability to walk and stand for long periods, lift and carry heavy or awkward items approximately 25-40lbs.
- Pass a fingerprinting / background check and complete a Tuberculosis assessment.
- Have a valid Driver's License, reliable transportation, vehicle insurance, and clean driving record.

Desired Skills/Experience:

- Conversational in Spanish or Vietnamese.
- 1st Aid/CPR Certified.
- Health-conscious and good physical condition to work outdoors.
- Has experience with Ocean Discovery Institute, either as a program participant, or volunteer.

Time Commitment:

- Part-time, 16 - 24 hours a week (approx. 4-5 mornings or afternoons per week).

Compensation:

- Hourly, rate based on experience.

Ocean Discovery Benefits and Provisions:

- Regular educator training as part of our Instructor Core.

Start Date:

- June 2021

How to Apply:

- Submit resume, cover letter, and 2-3 professional references to Jobs@OceanDI.org.
- Ocean Discovery will review and respond as positions become available.

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