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# **Summer Undergraduate Fellowships in Marine Research and Education**

**At the USC Baruch Marine Field Laboratory**



USC undergraduates in the School of the Earth, Ocean, and Environment (marine science, geosciences, and environment & sustainability) are invited to apply for a 10-week summer research assistantship focusing on estuarine ecology at the Baruch Marine Field Laboratory in Georgetown, SC. One position will be available for summer 2020.

**The Assistantship:** Student(s) will work with Drs. Robert Dunn and Matt Kimball on research projects in estuarine and coastal ecosystems. This work will take place in the North Inlet and Winyah Bay estuaries and will involve:

- **Estuarine community ecology:** Field sampling for fish and invertebrates in salt marsh and tidal creek habitats; laboratory experiments investigating the roles of predatory species; field surveys examining use of natural resources within North Inlet estuary; statistical analysis and interpretation of field and laboratory data.
- Additional opportunities will exist to gain exposure to other research and monitoring activities conducted by USC Baruch Marine Field Lab researchers and the North Inlet – Winyah Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve so as to broaden the overall experience provided by the internship.

This full-time (37.5 hours per week) position is from **Monday June 1 through Friday August 7** (dates are somewhat flexible). The rate is \$12 per hour. Health insurance will be provided during the assistantship if you are not otherwise covered (e.g., Student Health Plan, parent's plan). Housing will be provided in one of the Baruch dormitories on site (Hobcaw Barony).

**APPLICATION:** Interested applicants should send an email [subject line: BMFL Spivey Summer Internship Program 2020] to the Research Coordinator at the North Inlet-Winyah Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Dr. Robert Dunn ([robert@baruch.sc.edu](mailto:robert@baruch.sc.edu)), with the following information:

- (1) Your name, contact information, year in school, degree, and availability to work during the 10 week internship period
- (2) a brief personal statement of research and career interests (1 page max)
- (3) unofficial transcript(s)
- (4) names and contact information for two professional references

Applications must be received by March 15, 2020, and only undergraduates who will not graduate before August 2020 are eligible.

If you have any questions, contact Dr. Dunn (843-904-9026, [robert@baruch.sc.edu](mailto:robert@baruch.sc.edu)) *prior* to the application deadline. At least one successful applicant will be notified by **Monday, March 30, 2020**.