

## Summer Undergraduate Opportunities with Maine-eDNA

**Overview:** The Maine-eDNA program is seeking undergraduate students to join our team, a state-wide, multi-institutional initiative establishing Maine as a national leader in environmental monitoring, ecological understanding, and sustainability of coastal ecosystems (https://umaine.edu/edna/). Students will have the opportunity to participate through internship experiences in a range of research projects including fieldwork (for example, eDNA sampling at freshwater and marine sites), laboratory work and/or work in other STEM fields. As part of the Maine-eDNA team, undergraduate employees will gain hands-on research experience and can participate in additional professional development opportunities. These positions are full-time (up to 40 hours per week; \$13.80/hr or higher) during May through August, with the option to continue working part-time during the academic year.

**Job Description:** Undergraduate employees will contribute to the Maine-eDNA project by participating in research internships in one of five regions in the state (Casco Bay – with University of New England and University of Southern Maine; Damariscotta – with Darling Marine Center and Bigelow Laboratory; Penobscot – with

UMaine Orono; Downeast – with UMaine Machias; and Hurricane Island). Within each region, undergraduate employees will be matched with a research team and participate in one or more of a variety of projects.

**To Apply:** Please send the following application materials to Maine EPSCoR at maine.epscor@maine.edu: (1) Cover letter explaining interest, qualifications for this position and work location preference (Casco Bay — with University of New England and University of Southern Maine; Damariscotta — with Darling Marine Center and Bigelow Laboratory; Penobscot — with UMaine Orono; Downeast — with UMaine Machias; and Hurricane Island), and statement about housing need, (2) current resume or CV, (3) a copy of unofficial academic transcript, and (4) a list of the names and contact information of three references of anyone familiar with your work performance including teachers. Applications are being accepted immediately until positions are filled. We anticipate making decisions about successful candidates by March 31, 2023, with a start date in early to mid-May.

Learn more about this opportunity at umaine.edu/edna.

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