

Seasonal Job Opportunities American Shad & Sturgeon Monitoring

Description: We are looking for enthusiastic and qualified applicants for seasonal positions starting in April or May at the **CT DEP Marine Headquarters in Old Lyme**. In these positions we provide opportunities for practical fisheries experience outside of course work in the biological sciences, through field work and lab work.

Duties: The American shad and sturgeon projects conduct a variety of field, laboratory and office work activities which vary by project but could include: sampling with fishing gear such as gill nets, skiff trawls and beach seines. Routine field work could consist of day trips on small, open boats (17'-20') with fishing gear hauled by hand to collect fish which are identified, measured and quantified. Sampling is conducted in all weather conditions. The range of waters sampled includes Long Island Sound, Connecticut River and Thames River. Field work will be conducted on average 3 days a week from April-October. Laboratory or office work could include identifying and counting juvenile fish, pressing and ageing fish scales, cleaning and repairing fishing gear and data entry.

Qualifications: Actively pursuing or having completed a college degree in biological sciences with coursework in fisheries or a related field. A degree is preferred but not required. Candidates with work experience in a related field may be considered. Candidates should possess a valid driver's license and be willing to conduct rigorous field work in various weather conditions.

Hours per week: Typically a 35 hour work week Monday-Friday with variation in hours depending on field sampling location and activity.

Anticipated Length of Position: Mid-April through Mid-October or Mid-May through Mid-November, contingent on funding availability. A total of 1040 hours can be worked. Candidates that can work the full term are preferred.

To Apply: Submit the [employment application](#) and a resume to:

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PO Box 719, Old Lyme, CT 06371
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Be sure to indicate your interest in the Shad/Sturgeon projects in your e-mail or cover letter.

Additional project information:

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