

The American Bald Eagle Foundation

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Shirley Internship in Environmental Education

Hours per week: 40

Compensation: Housing, twice per month stipend (\$500), travel provided

The American Bald Eagle Foundation (ABEF) is a 501c3 nonprofit nature center in Haines, Alaska. The Natural History Museum features over 200 specimens representing Southeast Alaska's natural, geological, and cultural history. The Raptor Center is home to 6 birds of prey who live and work on display. Our mission is the preservation of the bald eagle and its habitat through education, stewardship, and research. The museum and Raptor Center collections help us achieve this mission by giving our guests up-close and personal experiences with wildlife and wild places. The Shirley internship program is funded by an endowment from one of our founders, Ed Shirley.

Environmental Education interns support the Foundation by performing many daily operational duties. Successful candidates will have a willingness to learn and a strong desire to teach and share their knowledge and enthusiasm for the natural world. Interns with a focus in environmental education will also be available during opening hours to answer questions from museum guests. A background in education or environmental sciences is helpful but not necessary.

On a daily basis, interns are responsible for:

- Educational programming (formal and informal)
 - Implementing program curriculum for guests of all ages
 - Leading public natural and cultural history talks
- Back of house cleaning and maintenance
- Admissions/reception duties
- Live animal care, including diet preparation, aviary cleaning and maintenance, enrichment creation and delivery
- Other tasks as assigned by the Intern Manager

You must be able to:

- Lift up to 50 lbs
- Work in any weather conditions
- Work with deceased prey items
- Work safely with birds of prey
- Work safely with taxidermy
- Work occasional nights and weekends
- Be open-minded and have a willingness to learn