

## **Writing Internship**

### **NJDEP Division of Fish and Wildlife**

#### **General Description:**

NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife's Sedge Island Natural Resource Education Center was acquired by the state in 1998. The Division is looking for interns to help document the history of Sedge Island from the time the Division acquired the property to the present. An intern will be selected to write one chapter of the history. Chapter headings and topics for research will be provided. This facility is located within the Sedge Islands Wildlife Management Area in Barnegat Bay off of Island Beach State Park. Local knowledge of the area is helpful, but not required.

#### **Job Duties:**

- Complete one chapter in a book of recent local history on the Sedge Island Natural Resource Education Center.
- Complete all deadlines as assigned by the NJ Division Fish & Wildlife.
- Travel throughout the State of New Jersey (primarily to Ocean County) to conduct interviews.
- Conduct research; including conducting interviews, reviewing newspaper articles and compiling photos.
- Record hours and work in a journal, either electronically or written.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Working toward or possess a degree in literature, communications, history, natural resource management or related field.
- Background in ecology, environmental studies, natural resource management or related field desirable, but not required.
- Extensive writing experience.
- Possess a valid driver's license and personal vehicle.
- Possess good communication, interview and people skills.
- Ability to work well with others and independently.
- Interest in documenting local history.
- Be 18 years of age or older.

**Position Duration:** Minimum 4 months (or one semester).

**Benefits:** This is a volunteer (unpaid) internship however, you will:

- Have a chapter published in the book documenting the history of Sedge Island.
- Earn college internship credit, if applicable to your school and degree program.

#### **More Information:**

- Visit NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife's website at [www.njfishandwildlife.com/sedge.htm](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/sedge.htm)

#### **To Apply:**

Send resume and cover letter along with two references and a writing sample to Karen Byrne at [karen.byrne@dep.state.nj.us](mailto:karen.byrne@dep.state.nj.us)