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Salary: Unpaid

Reports to: Planetarium Director, Laser Show Manager

Position Overview

The new Jennifer Chalsty Planetarium, the biggest in the Western Hemisphere, is open. In addition to out-of-this-world planetarium experiences, guests also enjoy immersive films on the wraparound dome screen courtesy of a brand new digital projection system. Liberty Science Center is seeking a motivated intern to assist in interpreting astronomy and space sciences for its visitors, and to assist with the operation of the planetarium and its portable Starlab planetarium.

About You

You excel at technology and have a great knowledge of astronomy. You are a confident people person and don't mind being put in the spotlight. You can think quickly on your feet.

Key Responsibilities

- Assist with the setup, takedown and operation of our portable Starlab planetarium.
- Provide informal astronomy and space sciences interpretation to the public, from solar viewing to planet-related activities.
- Assist planetarium staff with operation of the main planetarium control system.
- Assist planetarium staff with audience interaction and management during live planetarium program.
- Must be able to work 10-15 hours per week.
- Flexible schedule: After hours, nights, weekend nights

Preferred Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Comfortable with technology
- Good communication skills
- Excellent customer service skills
- Background in astronomy/space sciences

Preferred Qualifications and Experience

- Pursuing a bachelor's degree in astronomy, theater, physics or related field

Work Culture at a Glimpse

Schedule

This is a part-time unpaid position. The ideal candidate must be available to work evenings and weekends as special events require.

Travel

This position will most likely not require travel.

Environment

Liberty Science Center is located in a beautiful waterfront state park in Jersey City, New Jersey. Not only is Jersey City easy to get to from any points in Northern NJ and Manhattan, but it also holds the title of the most diverse city in the United States. Employees and volunteers have access to free parking, the Hudson-Bergen Light Rail, and the NJ PATH train. In addition, all employees and volunteers have access to an on-site café, a terrace with stunning NYC views, and on-site yoga.

Physical Demands

While performing the duties of this job, the employee must be able to stand for long periods of time while working with staff on museum floor to prepare for events or fill in for staff on the floor. The ability to lift 30 pounds is required. The position requires frequent visits to the museum floor (walking on concrete floors, climbing stairs, etc.) and outdoors (walking on uneven ground, exposed to the elements), tolerating high levels of noise, and extensive public speaking, sometimes in noisy environments.

Benefits

- 25% discount in LSC gift shop
- 25% discount in on-site cafeteria
- Six free exhibit & theater passes after 100 hours of volunteering
- \$75.00 travel reimbursement once a year
- Volunteer Recognition dinner
- KUDOS rewards program

To apply:

Apply online at: <http://lsc.org/support-us/become-a-volunteer-or-intern/>

Once you apply, please e-mail intern@lsc.org and attach your resume and cover letter highlighting why you are a perfect fit for this position.

Liberty Science Center is proud to provide an equal opportunity workplace. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, ancestry, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age, citizenship, marital status, disability, genetics, gender identity, or veteran status and will not be discriminated against on the basis of such characteristics or any other status protected by the laws or regulations in the location where we operate.

LSC actively supports Americans with Disabilities Act and will consider reasonable accommodations.