

Department: **Biology**

Working Title: **SCUBA Assistant, ISA**

Classification: **Instructional Student Assistant**

Number of Openings: **2**

Pay Rate: **\$17.86/hour**

Appointment: **4 hrs/week**

Expected Dates of Employment: **2/17/2025-5/31/2025**

Deadline to Apply: **February 13**

Requisition #: **BIO\_ISA\_2425\_6**

## **DUTIES OF THE POSITION**

The students will work with faculty, staff and students within the Hughes Lab in the Biology Department at Sonoma State University. Part of this position is learning scientific SCUBA diving techniques and data collection protocols to assist the Hughes Lab in subtidal data collection protocols. Part of this training will be working with our local SCUBA shop partner, SEALS Water Sports, to gather basic training protocols. The students will also actively get trained by Hughes Lab members on underwater data collection techniques. By the end of the semester the students will work on analyses of kelp forest community data from the data they collected during the spring. This project is funded by a grant through The Nature Conservancy and California Sea Grant (Q0404-1281-Q040401), and includes partners at San Jose State University.

## **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

The ability to learn and perform assigned work; work cooperatively with faculty, staff, and other students; and accept responsibility. Completion of specific coursework may be required in order to teach, grade, complete research, or tutor for a course. Admission or registration as a University student. Note: Exceptions to the minimum eligibility qualifications may be granted at the sole discretion of the University.

## **HIRING CRITERIA**

Familiarity with basic marine ecology and kelp forest ecology.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

Please send letter of inquiry to [hughes@sonoma.edu](mailto:hughes@sonoma.edu)

## **HIRING NOTIFICATION**

Student will be contacted by the supervisor.

## **SUPERVISOR**

Brent B. Hughes, Ph.D.

## OTHER INFORMATION

- The classification, Instructional Student Assistant, is one of three classifications in a collective bargaining unit, Unit 11. Instructional Student Assistants, who must be currently enrolled University students, perform tutoring, grading, or teaching-related duties under the supervision of faculty or professional staff.
- Sonoma State University hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. All offers of employment are contingent upon presentation of documents demonstrating the appointee's identity and eligibility to work, in accordance with the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act.
- The university is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We consider qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, disability, marital status, or protected veteran status.
- This position is considered a "mandated reporter" under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.
- Successful candidates may be required to do a background check (including a criminal records check) before work in the position can begin.

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