

## **Student Internships Available with the Encyclopedia of Earth**

### **Applications Now Being Accepted for Fall 2009**

The award-winning Encyclopedia of Earth (EoE – [www.eoearth.org](http://www.eoearth.org)) is a free, fully searchable online encyclopedia about the Earth, its ecosystems and their relationship to society. The EoE seeks student interns to assist with posting articles and performing other tasks as needed. Internships are not paid. However, interns gain valuable education and experience, receive recognition on the EoE, and may receive course credit. Interns will work on their own at their home institutions, but will have regular contact with EoE authors, editors and staff based in Boston, Washington, D.C. and other locations.

**Eligibility:** Intern candidates must be enrolled as an upper level undergraduate or graduate student majoring in an environmental science subject or otherwise demonstrating a strong interest and knowledge of environmental issues. Each candidate must have a faculty sponsor complete a recommendation form (found at [www.eoearth.org/article/EoE\\_for\\_Educators](http://www.eoearth.org/article/EoE_for_Educators)) that evaluates the candidate's academic achievement and career potential and attests to his or her reliability and ability to work independently.

**Internship position description:** EoE Student Interns will add content to the EoE's wiki-based platform by posting articles provided by Content Partners or Content Sources and and/or creating content based on templates (such as articles on various species using sources provided). Depending on an individual's background, skill level and interest, he or she may develop original content in accordance with the guidelines of the Student Science Communication Project. ([www.eoearth.org/article/Student\\_Science\\_Communication\\_Project](http://www.eoearth.org/article/Student_Science_Communication_Project)) Training in using the wiki platform will be provided. Internships will be offered during the academic year, in most cases September through May.

Interns may be asked to work with EoE Editorial Board members and staff on special projects. All interns will participate upon request in conference calls with EoE Editorial Board members and authors on timely topics of interest. To receive course credit, interns will need to make arrangements in accordance with their home institution's internship policies.

**Criteria and selection:** Internship candidates must have completed course work and/or work experience in an environmental field; must have a demonstrated ability to work independently and meet deadlines; must be willing and able to work 8 to 10 hours per week during the course of the internship. Student interns must have regular and reliable internet access.

Candidates can apply by emailing a completed EoE Fall 2009 Internship Application Form found at: [http://www.eoearth.org/article/EoE\\_for\\_Educators](http://www.eoearth.org/article/EoE_for_Educators)

Interns will be selected by the EoE Editorial Board. Rolling deadlines for Fall 2009 internships are August 31, September 15 and September 30.

**Faculty sponsor:** Faculty sponsors will submit a recommendation for the intern candidate using the form provided at [www.eoearth.org/article/EoE\\_for\\_Educators](http://www.eoearth.org/article/EoE_for_Educators). EoE will work with the appropriate department to provide an intern with course credit. The faculty sponsor may be asked to serve as the on-campus contact or sponsor, as required, to meet the institution's internship requirements.