

Application Form for Sea ExChange

Your Country: X United States Australia New Zealand
Where you wish to ExChange United States X Australia X New Zealand

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Type of exchange you are seeking:

Partner exchange - Visits to marine education facilities for sharing programs, materials and techniques

Education Group ExChanges – Similar to Partner ExChange but for small groups of students.

X **Job Exchange** - Trading places to conduct each others job for an agreed upon period of time

Timeframe:

X Anytime One month Three to six months X Six to 12 months

Season:

June - August Sept - Dec Jan - Mar April - June Flexible Any time XX

Facility / Agency you are employed by: NOAA Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary

URL of facility / agency: channelislands.noaa.gov

Goals of facility/agency: Designated in 1980, the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary's primary goal is the protection of natural and cultural resources within its boundaries. The sanctuary extends from mean high tide to 6 nautical miles around the San Miguel, Santa Rosa, Santa Cruz, Anacapa, and Santa Barbara Islands.

Type of work conducted by your facility/agency:

Marine Resource Management, Research, Education and Outreach

Number of employees at the facility: 15

Location of Facility/Agency: Santa Barbara, California

Position Description (describe your duties and the responsibilities of your job):

As Education Coordinator, my responsibilities include managing all aspects of the development of marine education programs and products for teachers, students, resource users and general public. I coordinate and conduct teacher workshops, adult education classes, and educational cruises to the sanctuary. I am also responsible for the development of brochures, posters, newsletters and marine educational exhibits, and multimedia products, such as CD ROMs.

Describe your goals in using this Exchange:

Increase communications between partner facilities/agencies. (Please elaborate)

I would like to increase communication and collaboration between the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary and other resource management partners or educational facilities in Australia or New Zealand, particularly those with a marine protected area emphasis.

Professional Development: (Please elaborate)

Channel Islands NMS has a recently implemented system of fully protected marine reserves. I would like to work with a partner agency or organization in Australia or New Zealand that has experience with developing successful marine reserves education and outreach programs and products.

Other: (Please elaborate)

My husband is Australian and all of his family lives there. I spent a year living in Melbourne in 1989 as an exchange student. I would like my toddler to have the experience of living in Australia for a period of time.

My employer is aware of this application.

Note: NMEA and MESA participates in SeaExchanges ONLY to post materials to the web site and assist partners to find one another.

Please email the completed form to Sea_ExChange@mesa.edu.au