Advocacy Intern - 2024



Work with the Executive Director and Dir of Advocacy to advance legislative and community outreach around Sci4Ga topics of interest.

Each legislative and community outreach intern will address a core topic – at the beginning of their internship these will be assigned. Topics include (but are not limited to):

- Water quality including protecting the Okefenokee, addressing soil health, and PFAS contamination
- Environmental Health and Justice
- Countering disinformation around solar power
- Break Up with Plastic
- Creation of a Legislative Science Note
- Transparency of state permitting process

Spring interns created content including - <u>2023-24 Legislation Rubrics</u>, <u>Data Centers</u>, <u>Ranked Choice Voting</u>, <u>Environmental Justice</u>, <u>Puberty Blockers</u>, and <u>Public Health</u>. They were able to interact with legislators and analyze legislation.

Action Items and Deliverables

Specific Deliverables

- 1. As needed, creation of evidence-based information in the following format(s) to post on Science Lookup and relevant channels:
 - a. Web
 - b. Social Media
 - c. Short-form videos
 - d. White papers
 - e. One-pagers
- 2. Move forward into the 2025 legislative session:
 - a. Understand current / relevant topics and identify next steps
 - i. Identify existing Sci4Ga topical information
 - ii. Identify gaps to be filled and updates to be made
 - iii. Update of "in-depth issue" statements and websites
 - b. Creation of a spring 2025 action plan
- 3. Support the Environmental Justice and Climate Protection Conference
 - a. Wrap up individual items identified by the EJ&CP

Weekly Work Details

All interns have a weekly meeting with their supervisor. Here they will discuss their progress toward goals, plan for the upcoming week, and issues blocking progress. This will also be a time for interns to ask questions and receive career building mentorship.

All interns participate in the weekly Sci4Ga all hands meeting where everyone shares a quick update on progress, and we brainstorm our way through questions.

Items needed:

1. Laptop / computer

Skills needed:

- 1. Computer literacy
- 2. Time management
- 3. Independent research skills

Skills that will be gained

- 1. Science communication
- 2. Public outreach
- 3. Storytelling

About Science for Georgia

Science for Georgia is a 501c3 dedicated to bridging the gap between scientists and the public through training, outreach opportunities, and direct contact with the public, policymakers, and the press. Science for Georgia highlights how science can impact people's lives and advocates for the responsible use of science in public policy.

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To apply, please send a resume, cover letter, and plain-language writing sample (or reel or series of social media posts) to amy.sharma@sci4ga.org.