



OceansAlaska

MARINE SCIENCE CENTER & SHELLFISH HATCHERY



Wanted: Shellfish Interns

OceansAlaska is offering several shellfish internships this coming winter of 2022. There is funding available to provide assistance with travel, housing and meals. The intensive internships will be for one week with the potential for longer.

The week long internships are scheduled between **mid-February and end of March** 2022. The program will be a hands on or online overview of micro-algae production, oyster conditioning, spawning, setting, and nursery practices.

Contact: tmarsh@oceansalaska.org or ewyatt@oceansalaska.org for questions and application. Application will also be on www.oceansalaska.org

This program embraces inclusiveness and we encourage all; women, Alaska Natives, people of color, anyone over 18, and all educational backgrounds. One note, applicants must be physically able to lift 20 lbs, walk on uneven and wet surfaces, and enjoy wet and sometimes cold conditions.

OceansAlaska is a non-profit mariculture shellfish/seaweed hatchery/nursery located in Ketchikan, Alaska.

Mariculture is the cultivation of marine seaweeds, shellfish, and invertebrates for food and positive ecosystem services. Shellfish have played a critical role as a traditional food in coastal communities. Shellfish cultivation can increase food in the local food hubs, provide economic opportunities, sustain traditional practices, and enhance environmental methods

With funding from The Nature Conservancy SOARS, NOAA, and in partnership with the Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation and Premium Aquatics LLC, OceansAlaska plans to spawn Pacific oysters and grow them to size to ship to shellfish nursery. These techniques could be used for future pilot projects such as sgya`al, ggaboack, yalooleit, cockle, or káag, t'l'ldaaskeit, little neck clam, or `dsa`ack, horse clam.

