

# Student Opportunities at the USGS St. Petersburg Coastal and Marine Science Center

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) St. Petersburg Coastal and Marine Science Center is part of one of the largest marine science communities in the nation. Our Center is staffed with geologists, oceanographers, microbiologists, ecologists, bio-geochemists, geographic information system (GIS) specialists, and scientific and administrative support staff who conduct research globally. Scientific field work is uncovering information and trends regarding coastal vulnerability to extreme storms, coral reef health, and impacts of climate and environmental change such as sea-level rise and ocean acidification in the Gulf of Mexico, Florida, the Caribbean and western Atlantic region, and the Arctic Ocean.

## Volunteers

What a great way to build up your resume and learn new skills! We have many opportunities for volunteers at the St. Petersburg Coastal and Marine Science Center.



**Figure 1.** A USGS scientist makes adjustments to a calcification monitoring station at Fowey Rocks Light, off Miami. The research goal is to provide information and datasets that will help us understand cause and effect relationships between environmental variables and coral reef decline.

For information about volunteering, contact Lisa Morrow, 727-803-8747 x. 3142, [lmorrow@usgs.gov](mailto:lmorrow@usgs.gov).

## College Students

Our Science Center has programs for both undergraduate and graduate students, including paid hourly employment, internships, and research assistantship.

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**Figure 2.** USGS scientists collect geologic cores to understand Earth's history and predict future trends.

## Across the Nation

The USGS serves the Nation by providing impartial, reliable scientific information to describe and understand the Earth; minimize loss of life and property from natural disasters; manage water, biological, energy, and mineral resources; and enhance and protect our quality of life.

The USGS offers diverse employment for students in biology, hydrology, computer science, cartography, geology, science journalism and communications, graphic arts, administration, and many other fields.

To learn about job opportunities for students within the USGS, check the website: [www.usgs.gov/ohr/student](http://www.usgs.gov/ohr/student)

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