



## Internship Opportunity

Bonus Point Oyster Project (BPOP)

Auburn University Shellfish Lab (AUSL)

Position : Oyster Farm Technician

Location : Grand Bay, Alabama and Auburn University Shellfish Lab in Dauphin Island, AL

Duration : Summer 2020 with potential extension of internship during the school year

Personal Interests : Science, Outdoor Work, Hands-on Learning, Creative Problem-Solving

Time Commitment : Approximately 3-4 days a week / 20 - 25 hours a week

(Weekdays and some weekend work with a flexible schedule required)

Compensation: \$12 / hour | Some class credit may be available through work study program

Number of Openings : 2

Start Date : TBD

### What is Bonus Point Oyster Project?

BPOP is a collaborative program with Auburn University Shellfish Lab and is dedicated to oyster aquaculture education for high school students, post-secondary students and adult learners. BPOP is a career development opportunity to gain knowledge of oyster aquaculture in a skills-based, rigorous, hands-on learning environment. BPOP will serve as an outdoor classroom for establishing, managing and maintaining oysters in various gear types for the half shell market, while teaching work skills to participants who are interested in future employment in the commercial oyster industry.

Job Description : Bonus Point Oyster Project is seeking students who love to work in the water and want to grow oysters in a year-round setting.

Tasks include handling oysters and related equipment, managing different gear types for oyster aquaculture, learning methods in cleaning and maintaining oysters and oyster baskets/cages, and various projects related to oyster farming including sales, marketing and distribution of oysters, and presenting/representing our oysters at public events.

Teamwork and creative problem solving are critical to success in this line of work.

Qualifications : Students must be able to drive to and from meeting places where work will start - most days at the boat launch in Bayou la Batre, some days at the Auburn University Shellfish Lab in Dauphin Island. Being on time is of great importance.

Please submit your cover letter and resume to :

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