



## Northeastern University Marine Science Center AmeriCorps Massachusetts Promise Fellow

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AmeriCorps Massachusetts Promise Fellows deliver the resources young people need to be successful in life by creating, managing, and leading meaningful out-of-school time programs for youth in grades 6-12. Fellow projects focus on and college and career exploration and academic enrichment.

**The Massachusetts Promise Fellowship** achieves this by placing AmeriCorps Fellows with schools, non-profit organizations and state/local government agencies that focus on fulfilling the needs of our youth by providing: *a caring adult, a safe place, a healthy start, a marketable skill, and an opportunity to give back.*

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### Service Description:

Since 1967, Northeastern University's Marine Science Center (MSC) has generated outstanding teaching and research in the marine sciences, and interacts with the public via our Outreach Program, which reaches ~8,000 people per year through various educational programs and events. The MSC and Girls Inc. of Lynn have developed the Beach Sisters program in order to pair the resources of an informal science education center with a community-based organization, to help pave the way for girls living in an underserved, environmental justice community to develop scientific inquiry and citizenship skills, and to learn about studies and careers in marine science. The Massachusetts Promise Fellow will be responsible for coordinating and implementing the Beach Sisters program including mentoring six teen Peer Leaders, working with them to plan and deliver marine/environmental science after school programs, and participate in environmental service learning projects in the community.

### Essential Responsibilities:

- Recruit, mentor, instruct, and collaborate with six Peer Leaders, mentoring them to deliver programs to youth, conduct service projects, and develop leadership/professional skills
- Oversee delivery of instruction by Peer Leaders to other youth during the school year
- Participate in partner-led strategic and evaluation planning efforts
- Become familiar with MSC research and outreach, Girls Inc., local marine ecosystems, the demographics of the community, and other organizations working with local populations
- Participate in all relevant MPF, NUMSC, and Girls Inc. meetings and trainings
- Complete program evaluation requirements including but not limited to preparing monthly reports, a youth attendance tracker, and time sheets
- Travel at least once/month for Fellowship trainings and retreats throughout the Commonwealth

### Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree or demonstrated equivalent of related experience preferred in Biology, Environmental Science, Science Education, Environmental Education, or related field
- Drivers license and own vehicle required
- Have flexibility and a sense of humor
- Be resourceful, self-motivated, and possess strong critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Ability to prioritize tasks and maintain progress on short and long-term goal
- Ability to work independently and take initiative
- Excellent organizational and communication skills
- Deep belief in the power and potential of young people to create social change
- Experience working with youth, passion for social justice, and have worked with diverse communities

### Massachusetts Promise Fellowship

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- Must be a US Citizen, US National or Permanent Resident Alien
- Must be willing to undergo a National Service Criminal History Check, including screenings through the National Sex Offender Public Website, a name-based search of the statewide criminal history registry both in Massachusetts and your state of residence upon application to our program (if not Massachusetts), and a fingerprint based FBI check. *\*Eligibility to participate in MPF is contingent on the results of this screening*

### Fellow Schedule:

- Monday – Friday 10:30am – 6:30pm with occasional nights and weekends

**Fellow Service Location:** Northeastern Marine Science Center, 430 Nahant Road, Nahant, MA

**Supervisor Name:** Emily Duwan

**Supervisor Email:** [e.duwan@northeastern.edu](mailto:e.duwan@northeastern.edu)

### Benefits

For an eleven month, full-time commitment and 1,700 hours of AmeriCorps service Fellows receive:

A taxable living allowance of up to \$15,500/year ♦ Excellent training opportunities ♦ FREE courses at Northeastern University in the College of Professional Studies & discounted courses upon successfully completing the service year ♦ Loan forbearance and an up to \$6,195 educational award ♦ Monthly travel allowance ♦ Career coaching and support ♦ Healthcare benefits

### Contact Information

**Apply ASAP!** Applicants are hired on a rolling basis.

Visit [mpfapplication2020](#) to complete a general application **ASAP before June 1st, 2020**

### More Info:

- Selection decisions will be made on or before July 1st, 2020. **All position offers will be provisional until 2020-2021 federal funding has been confirmed.**
- Program start date is August 4th, 2020
- More information about the Northeastern University Marine Science Center and the youth program can be found at <https://cos.northeastern.edu/marinescience/>
- Visit [www.masspromisefellows.org](http://www.masspromisefellows.org) for detailed program information

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