



## 2022 Summer Internship Opportunity

The North Carolina Coastal Reserve and National Estuarine Research Reserve is a network of ten protected sites along the coast that are established for long-term research, education and stewardship. The NC Coastal Reserve protects more than 44,000 acres of estuarine land and water, which provide essential habitat for wildlife; offer educational opportunities for students, teachers and the public; and serve as living laboratories for scientists. During 2022, the North Carolina Coastal Reserve Office in Beaufort, NC will host 1-3 summer interns. For more information about the N.C. Coastal Reserve and National Estuarine Research Reserve visit our website at: [www.nccoastalreserve.net](http://www.nccoastalreserve.net)

The intern will assist the Stewardship and Research staff at the Reserve Headquarters Office in Beaufort with nature reserve management and research activities. The intern will participate in regular ongoing stewardship activities, including wild horse herd monitoring, species of concern monitoring and surveys, documentation of species occurrences, marine debris removal efforts, management of visitor use of protected lands, and other stewardship activities. Research activities will include water quality monitoring associated with commercial dredging, assessment of 'living' shorelines, and using drones to map and quantify the condition of coastal habitats. The student will build skills in field data collection, data organization, and other relevant skills according to the student's interest. The student will also build professional communication, organizational, and collaboration skills. There also may be an opportunity for the student to choose a project on which to focus if the student has a specific interest.

Applicants should send a letter of interest, college transcript(s), resume, and one letter of recommendation to Paula Gillikin Central Sites Manager at [paula.gillikin@ncdenr.gov](mailto:paula.gillikin@ncdenr.gov) by **11:59 pm, February 27, 2010**.