

**Are you interested in doing a year of paid service with purpose?
Do you love the ocean and want to share the love with others?**

If so, then joining the **NESS SEA AmeriCorps Program** might be a great opportunity for you!

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NESS SEA AmeriCorps STEM Mentors:

ENGAGE students in learning by seeing and doing.

MENTOR students to encourage Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) goals.

PROVIDE student support in and out of the classroom.

EMPOWER students to discover their personal best by facing new challenges.

SHARE enjoyment of the ocean with students from all backgrounds.

ENCOURAGE students to be positive stewards of their community and environment.

Duties and responsibilities:

- Assist in the delivery of NESS experiential education programs with a direct focus on mentoring students in social and emotional learning.
- Serve alongside NESS educators to provide academic day or after-school programming by providing classroom support.
- Assist in developing NESS STEM-based lesson plans aligned to CASEL Social and Emotional Learning competencies.
- Assist in the creation and delivery of field-based programs using kayaks, sail boats, marine science, powerboats, fishing, and more.
- Participate in community events to build relationships within the community.
- Help implement NESS' safety plan by always maintaining campus and offsite safety.
- Serve as a team with other AmeriCorps members and staff from both NESS and host sites.
- Participate in orientation training at the beginning of term and regular training throughout the service term.
- Travel to multiple locations each day may be required.

Requirements:

- Passion for working with underserved students.
- Minimum of high school diploma required; bachelor's or associate Degree preferred OR service with the US Armed Forces.
- Valid Driver's License.
- Successful passage of the three-part National Service Criminal History Check.
- Positions will abide by AmeriCorps Prohibited Activities as referred to in the member contract.

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- Commit to **12-month**, full time assignment (38-40 hours/week), beginning September 9, 2024, through August 17th, 2025.
- Complete a minimum of **1700 hours** of service.

Physical Requirements: The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk or listen. The employee frequently is required to stand; walk; use hands to handle or feel; and reach with hands and arms. The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to 50 pounds.

Desired Skills:

- Commitment to the AmeriCorps mission of service.
- Understanding of underserved communities.
- Interest in mentoring students while they navigate SEL skills through NESS lessons.
- Interest in positive youth development.
- Interest in marine science, sailing, and kayaking instruction in an experiential learning setting.
- A strong team player and an excellent motivator.
- Initiative and the ability to work independently and as a teammate.
- Effective skills in interpersonal relationships, written and verbal communications, problem solving, decision making, group dynamics, and public speaking.
- Bilingual speakers, especially in Spanish, encouraged to apply.

Benefits of Service:

- AmeriCorps living allowance of approximately **\$19,000** over a 12 -month term of service.
 - Paid in weekly installments.
 - Subject to all applicable local, state and federal income taxes.
- Eli Segal Education Award of up to **\$7,395** from the National Service Trust for qualifying education expenses or loans upon successful completion of the term of service.
- Comprehensive Health, Dental and Vision insurance benefits at no cost.
- Extensive training and certifications.
- 8 days off for holidays each calendar year.
- Childcare assistance for those who qualify.
- Positions are eligible for student loan forbearance (available for qualified loans).

Training and certifications provided include:

- Waterfront Lifeguarding (American Red Cross certification)
- First Aid & CPR for the Professional Rescuer (American Red Cross certification)
- Kayaking Instruction (American Canoe Association skills assessment)
- Powerboat instruction and practice
- Sailing instruction and practice
- Introduction to experiential-based teaching practices
- Career Development Mentorship

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ABOUT NEW ENGLAND SCIENCE & SAILING

New England Science & Sailing is a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization that uses sailing, marine science, powerboating, and ocean adventure sports as experiential learning platforms to increase K-12 academic outcomes. NESS educators teach in classrooms and on the water, using over 100 proprietary lesson plans tied to school standards, including the Next Generation Science Standards, Ocean Literacy Principles, and Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning standards. NESS is the only school partner program accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

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