**SANDIN LAB**

Volunteer Interview Form

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| Name:  | Date: |
| Email: | Graduation Date: |
| Major: | GPA: |
| Relevant Classes: |

 **General Position Description:**

Our lab is run by Dr. Stuart Sandin and is located in room 4230 in Hubbs Hall at Scripps Institution of Oceanography. The work of the lab focuses on understanding the life histories and behaviors of coral reef fish as well as population and spatial dynamics of coral communities. Our lab is made up of a large group of students, researchers, and volunteers. We accept a number of volunteers to help with the research conducted in the lab on a rolling basis, depending on the need of our lab members.

A volunteer position in our lab is ideal for individuals who are motivated hard workers, who are interested in research experience, and who plan to pursue a graduate degree or a career in marine biology. As you will see from the job description below, these are task-oriented positions. They can require long hours doing repetitive tasks. Please think carefully about whether or not this position is right for you.

We are asking for a time commitment from our volunteers of a minimum of 10 hours per week for a minimum of a 6 months. Volunteers may be asked to perform tasks including coral identification and digitization, processing samples, conducting literature searches, editing photos, cleaning and organizing lab space, entering data, and web based projects. Volunteers will work closely with an assigned lab member to complete projects. Please keep in mind that although this is an unpaid position, we can offer you the experience of working in a unique environment with a fun group of people.

*\*\*All students must volunteer AT LEAST two quarters in the Sandin Lab before becoming eligible to apply for a 199 with the Sandin Lab\*\**

 **Availability** ****Monday Hours \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 ****Tuesday Hours \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 ****Wednesday Hours \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 ****Thursday Hours \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 ****Friday Hours \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Intended Start Date**:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**QUESTIONS**

1. How did you hear about our lab? What attracted you to this lab? Is there a particular aspect of our work that interests you?
2. What goal do you want to have accomplished by the end of this position?
3. What have you enjoyed most about previous work/volunteer opportunities?
4. Tell me a bit about any particular skills, or interests you have. What do you believe is the most important thing you can offer our lab?
5. Tell us a bit about your research and/or lab experience or related positions.
6. What are your plans after graduation?

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