



National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's
National Weather Service
 Newport/Morehead City, NC Weather Forecast Office



2016 STUDENT VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Full Name:

Primary Address:	Alternate Address:

Primary Telephone Number:	Alternate Telephone Number:
Primary Email Address:	Alternate Email Address:

Are you a US Citizen? Yes No

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Current or Most Recent School Name:

Major/Minor:

Expected Graduation Day (Month/Year):

Year:	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Graduate
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Other Colleges/Universities Attended (*please include an unofficial or official transcript*):

Date Attended:	Major/Minor:
Degree or Number of Credits Earned:	GPA:

Current GPA:

Meteorological Coursework (*please check one*)

I have earned 15 or more credits in atmospheric sciences.	
I have earned between 6 and 15 credits in atmospheric sciences.	
I have taken 1 to 5 credits in atmospheric sciences.	
I have taken no meteorology or atmospheric sciences courses.	

WORK/VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE

Most Recent Employer:	
Telephone Number:	Supervisor (Name & Title):
Position Title:	City, State:
Start Date:	End Date:
Description of Duties: <i>(Use an additional sheet if necessary)</i>	

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Career Plans:

University scholarships or academic distinction:

Publications (if any):

Memberships: (NWA, AMS, etc.)

Other Meteorology activities/experiences: (spotter training, NWS Station Visit, etc.)

Why would you like to volunteer at the National Weather Service?

Please indicate your availability for volunteering this summer.

Would you be earning college credit for your time at the NWS?

Yes No

School Contact Information:

References: Please list up to two persons not related to you, who are familiar with your character and qualifications:

Full name and title	Phone Number	Email Address

Please answer the following questions. (Use an additional sheet if necessary)

1. Please describe your knowledge of the NWS and the products and services we offer. What interests you most about volunteering at the NWS office in Newport?

2. Please expand upon your career goals and why you would benefit from volunteering at the NWS office in Newport, NC?

3. Please elaborate about your previous meteorology related activities and experiences.

4. What specific aspects of meteorology most interest you and why?

5. If selected to volunteer, you would be expected to contribute to an office research or other project. Do you have any particular area you would like to focus this research or project on? Do you have any specific research ideas in mind if you are selected to volunteer here this summer?

I certify that the foregoing statements are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that a false or incomplete answer may be grounds for not considering me or for my dismissal.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

This completed application and accompanying documents must be mailed, emailed or faxed to the National Weather Service in Newport NC, attention Casey Dail. Applications are due by March 1, 2016.

Address:
533 Roberts Road
Newport, NC 28570

Casey.Dail@noaa.gov
Fax Number: 252-223-3673

For consideration please complete the application and send a copy of your transcript (unofficial is acceptable). Late or incomplete applications will not be considered

Personal Information: All information listed will be viewed only by selecting officials.

Education: An unofficial transcript is acceptable for purposes of this position, and must be mailed, emailed or faxed in with the application. Please list your current school, along with GPA if available at the time of submission. Please include past coursework or degrees from other universities/colleges you have attended along with the dates attended. This application does not require an official transcript, though any lies or exaggerations will be cause for dismissal if selected.

Work/Volunteer Experience: Please list any jobs, paid or not that you have had mainly in the last 5 years. Provide examples of work experience especially those which would be relevant to your time as a volunteer at the NWS.

Other Relevant Information: If space is too limited to include descriptive information about academic achievement, publication, organizational involvement please include the information on a separate page when submitting the application. Please provide contact information for any weather related organizations you have joined. Availability for volunteering will take into account the number of hours/days you would be willing to work each week along with the start/end dates (approximations are acceptable).

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM INFORMATION

The NWS student volunteer program is designed to provide undergraduate and graduate level students the opportunity to learn about the science of weather forecasting, along with education about other NOAA agencies. This is done through several approaches including research, job shadowing and computer based learning.

Students will be required to complete a research project during their time at the office. The research can cover a range of topics from specific forecasting challenges to significant event reviews. Each student will also be required to job shadow a minimum of five operational forecasting shifts.

The student volunteer program, though not a paying position, has many benefits for students and graduates. Competition for positions within NOAA's National Weather Service has increased in recent years, and it has proven beneficial for recent college graduates to have prior forecasting operational experience when they apply for positions within the NWS. Many students have also utilized their research conducted at the NWS towards gaining college credit. In addition, the research skills and understanding of weather forecasting will ultimately help the students in future career choices.

Volunteer Positions Available: Volunteering opportunities are available for current undergraduate and graduate level students enrolled in or with a degree in meteorology, atmospheric sciences, and other related majors. Only a few students are selected for the student volunteer program through a competitive application process.

Course Credit: The NWS will support students who have a specific research topic they wish to develop to earn college credit. However, this must be preapproved by the NWS in advance of starting the volunteering. The specific criteria necessary to earn credit will also need to be coordinated between the NWS and the university.

Eligibility: A candidate must be an undergraduate student or a graduate student. It is recommended that the applicant have a degree or entering into a major or minor in meteorology (or related subjects).

Schedule: Volunteers will work with NWS to arrange for a flexible work schedule. Volunteers are expected to work at least 120 hours from late May through early August.

Application Deadlines: Applications are due by March 1, 2016.

Security Screening: In order to have access to the building and computers at the NWS, all volunteers must pass a security screening. This entails filling out security paperwork which includes fingerprinting. Documentation will be provided if selected.

Dismissal: Volunteers are expected to dress and conduct themselves in a professional manner. Volunteers must utilize their time effectively. Involvement with forecasters is encouraged; however unnecessary distractions especially during ongoing weather will not be tolerated. If standards are not met, this may be grounds for dismissal.

Additional Information: If you would like additional information please visit our homepage—www.weather.gov/mhx or contact Casey.Dail@noaa.gov (252-223-5122).