Internship
Job Description

Position: Intern
Type: Full Time/Part Time
Status: Non-Exempt

Department: Laboratory
Supervisor: VP of Operations
Location: Houston, Texas

Summary

Dascena, Inc. is looking for reliable, organized, and detail-oriented students to join our organization as an Intern in our molecular diagnostic laboratory. This is an exciting opportunity to gain real world experience that compliments an education in STEM+ Healthcare disciplines; is challenging; and recognized to the organization as valuable. Flexible hours are available to accommodate class schedules as well as weekend work.

Responsibilities

- Fulfill lab assistant or specimen processor duties while supporting the work of technicians, technologists, and scientists.
- Learn how to use laboratory equipment and software appropriate for assigned tasks.
- Complete meaningful independent projects in assigned area of laboratory.
- Perform all paperwork, technical, and non-technical procedures required to process and submit specimens.
- Support the lab by performing data entry, loading instruments, performing maintenance on all types of equipment, gathering supplies for testing.
- Perform a variety of administrative duties for a designated department including clerical and customer service functions.

Qualifications

- Education
  - A High School Diploma or General Education Degree (GED) is required.
  - Current or upcoming enrollment in an academic course of study at a college or university in the Houston area pursuing a degree in Biology, Chemistry, Biotechnology, Bioengineering, or other field related to the life sciences is required.
- Experience
  - Some laboratory experience in either an academic or professional setting is highly desirable.
Understanding of molecular biology techniques, most especially polymerase chain reaction (PCR), used in laboratory settings is a plus.

- **Skills**
  - Excellent organizational, problem-solving, and time management skills.
  - Proactive self-starter with an entrepreneurial spirit and self-motivation.
  - Expert communication, interpersonal, and leadership skills.

**Other Information**

- To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. Reasonable Accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.
- To build a diverse workforce, Dascena encourages applications from individuals with disabilities, minorities, veterans, and women. Dascena is an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regards to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, national origin, disability, veteran status, or any other basis protected by applicable federal, state, or local law.

**To Apply:**
- Send resume to Tanner Smith: tsmith@dascena.com
- Contact Mr. Smith at 505-252-3868 for additional information.