

Dudley Observatory

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Free Telescopes for Rising Star Teachers!

Does the night sky fascinate you? Would you like to gaze at planets, star clusters, and galaxies through a telescope? Would you like to show these wonders to other astronomy lovers?

The Dudley Observatory is looking for **TEACHER INTERNS**. We will teach you to find your way around the night sky, and to use a telescope to observe interesting celestial objects at public star parties.

Each intern who fulfills the program requirements will be awarded a telescope to keep, so that they will have the equipment, as well as the knowledge and experience, to enjoy this as a life-long quest.

Program description:

The Rising Star Internship Program is now open to all teachers. Applications will be accepted until March 1st. Winners of the internships will be announced by mid-April.

After attending instructional sessions on the use and maintenance of the telescope, each intern will be provided with a telescope. The interns will attend star parties with the Albany Area Amateur Astronomers during the summer months. During this time they will learn to locate interesting objects in the sky and to introduce others to the pleasures of star gazing.

Each intern will be required to keep a log book detailing his or her progress at these activities throughout the duration of the program. Once the training is completed, the interns will conduct star parties for schools and other community groups, and will participate in a minimum of two Dudley sponsored astronomy events. Each intern will be evaluated on their proficiency when they are comfortable with the material. Upon successful completion of the entire program, the intern will be given the telescope to keep.

You should plan to participate in the Rising Star Internship Program at least two evenings a month. This is a weather dependent activity, and schedules will be flexible.

If you know students (7th through 10th grade) you would like to work with, please encourage them to apply. The program is the same, but they need a different application form.

To apply, see application procedure on reverse side.

(If you are a student, please use the student form, which can be found on our website at http://www.dudleyobservatory.org/Education/ Education.htm)

Dudley Observatory Rising Star Internship Application

| Name | |
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| Home Address | |
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| School Name & Address: | |
| Home Phone | School phone |
| Email | |
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| Certified in the following subjects: | |
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To Apply:

Please write a description on how this program will aid you in teaching and how you would use this in your community.

Send the **application** form, **essay**, and a **resume or CV** to the Dudley Observatory. To receive full consideration, applications must be received by March 1st

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