Stella Mueller

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Education

University of Rhode Island	Kingston, RI
Master of Environmental Communication	Sept. 2024 – present
Science Writing & Rhetoric Certificate	Sept. 2024 – present
Expected Graduation in May 2025 GPA: 3.91	
B.S. in Wildlife and Conservation Biology, B.A. in Journalism	Sept. 2020 - May 2024

GPA: 3.57, Magna Cum Laude

Relevant Experience

DWELL Lab & National Park Service Communication AssistantJan 2025 – Present Internship

- Collaboration with the National Natural Landmarks Department in Northern New Jersey and the URI Digital Writing Environments, Location & Localization (DWELL) Lab.
- Creating new documents to publish on a website about the Central Passaic Basin.
- Developing new communication practices, incorporating written, visual & digital components.
- Gaining experience in pursuing client expectations and goals, and professional communication.

American Littoral Society - Sandy Hook, NJ

May 2024 – August 2024

Coastal Education Internship

- Educated K-12 students on environmental topics through close nature encounters.
- Wrote science articles that were posted on their website and in newsletters.
- Collected and examined data on local species from seining and fish tagging.
- Guided public nature walks and tours, specifically on whales, horseshoe crabs, and shells.
- Communicated the society's overall mission, goals, and opportunities at outreach events.

National Park Service, Gateway National Recreation Area

August 2024

Volunteer

- Created brochures and pamphlets via Canva for the National Park Service to inform the local public about upcoming beach cleanups.
- Collaborated with employees to draft ideas, design and format documents, adhering to Park rules and regulations.

ACTIVITIES:

- URI Mentor Collective Program
 - Supported new students by providing guidance and advice about college life
- URI Library Employee
 - Interacted with students daily and learned crucial customer service skills
 - Balanced work with academics for the entirety of college career

AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND CERTIFICATIONS:

- URI Graduate Certificate in Science Writing and Rhetoric upon graduation in May, 2025
- Peter Lord Environmental Journalism Scholarship (2023)
- Digital Writing Environments, Location and Localization Science Communication Scholarship (2023)
- Eric F. Kumpf Memorial Journalism & Political Science Scholarship (2023)
- Science Writing Award via The Good Five Cent Cigar Newspaper
- WhaleSENSE Certified

Skills: Public Speaking, Public Engagement, Writing, Interviewing, Adobe Creative Cloud (Photoshop, Premiere, Lightroom), Canva, Microsoft Office, Digital Communication, Storytelling, Data Analysis