

**Application for Internship in the Warkentin Lab**  
**at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute – Gamboa Laboratory**

Application materials must be submitted to the Warkentin Lab on or before the stated deadline.

Application packet checklist:

Completed application form

Statement of interest

Curriculum Vitae

Academic transcripts (may be unofficial)

Two letters of recommendation, from current or past professors or academic mentors

All application materials (with the exception of the letters of recommendation) must be compiled into a **SINGLE PDF FILE** and sent to [kcohen@bu.edu](mailto:kcohen@bu.edu).

The file must be named as follows: SurnameFirst name-Intern.pdf. Thus, if your name is Sonia Perez, your application file would be named PerezSonia-Intern.pdf. Put “Internship Application” in the subject line of your email.

Applicants must arrange to have two academic letters of reference, addressed to Professor Warkentin, emailed as pdf files to [kcohen@bu.edu](mailto:kcohen@bu.edu) by the deadline. Give your recommenders the instructions.

Inquiries about the application process may be sent to [kcohen@bu.edu](mailto:kcohen@bu.edu).

**Incomplete applications and applications that fail to follow guidelines will not be considered.**

**See “Advice to Applicants” and familiarize yourself with our research and this internship opportunity before completing application.**

**Instructions:** Please fill out the following form and include it in your application packet. This form has active fields that may be filled in using Acrobat Reader (version 8 or higher). Download the form to your computer and open with Acrobat Reader. Once all of the information has been entered, save the filled form to your computer and compile it into **one pdf file** with your personal statement, CV, and transcript.

### 1. CONTACT INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

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Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of birth: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Gender      Female      Male

Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Number \_\_\_\_\_ Passport valid until (dd/mm/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a US Permanent Resident?              Yes              No

### 3. EDUCATION

College/university \_\_\_\_\_

Major (& minor if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation or expected graduation date (mm/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative grade point average (GPA) \_\_\_\_\_ GPA in Major \_\_\_\_\_

Maximum possible GPA at your school \_\_\_\_\_

List any courses taken that are specifically relevant to the internship and your grade in the course

#### 4. EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS

Language skills (rate 0–4, 4 being best): English \_\_\_\_\_ Spanish \_\_\_\_\_

List or briefly describe your skills and experience relevant to the internship research (e.g. laboratory and field research, animal care, computer skills, photography; see instructions for other examples of relevant skills and experience). You may also include experiences relevant to your personal ability to thrive and make a positive contribution to our lab team under the living and working conditions of Gamboa (e.g. irregular day and night work hours, shared housing, tropical rainforest environment).

#### 5. REFERENCES

List the name, institutional affiliation, & email address of two professors or other academic mentors from whom you have requested letters of recommendation:

Recommender #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender #2: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 6. STATEMENT OF INTEREST

In not more than 750 words (English) or 1000 words (Spanish), explain **(a)** why are you interested in an internship in the Warkentin Lab at STRI, **(b)** how our general research program and the “Development of Adaptive Embryo Behavior” project relate to your research interests, **(c)** how this internship relates to your career goals and professional development. Use a readable font and size and double-space this text.