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Internship summary

During the fall of 2017 I got the opportunity to be an intern at the Environment Department in Malmö City and SEA-U Marine Science Centre. The internship was divided equally between these two workplaces but some of the work overlapped at times. My supervisors work with the marine environment in various aspects and hence my internship was routed in this.

At the Marine Science Centre their commission is to educate children, and adults, about the marine environment. This reflects my work at the center in the way that I assisted during class visits, was available during study visits as well as when people from the public came. I have throughout the time at the center also worked on a project connected to the reconstruction in the Nyhamnen, by looking at the ecosystem services and conditions for reinstating eelgrass in its natural habitat.

At the Environment Department I thoroughly followed the topic of microplastics. Malmö City has commenced a thorough work on minimizing microplastics. One of these sources are the artificial soccer fields that are filled with rubber granulates. This has been one of the primarily topics that I have worked with.

My experience has been invaluable in the sense of understanding the complexity of how projects been carried out. From receiving grants, to departments working together and connecting the city's functions into something valuable for its people. I have learnt that a background in physical geography and ecosystem science can be beneficial in many fields.

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