

I am currently a senior in high school; can I still apply to be a part of the Q?Crew?

Yes! As long as you can commit to serving 100 hours starting in June, you can apply for the program.

I am currently in the 8th grade and will be in the 9th grade next year; can I apply for the Q?Crew program?

Sorry, you will have to wait until next year! Q?Crew applicants have to be enrolled in high school when they are applying to the program.

Can my participation in the Q?Crew program count as an internship?

Unfortunately, the Q?Crew program can not count as an internship. If you are interested in interning at the National Museum of Natural History, check out the YES! program.

Is there a stipend for the program?

Because Q?Crew is a volunteer program, the members do not receive stipends. Q?Crew members can accrue volunteer service hours that they can use for graduation if their high school requires them.

Does Q?Crew help with transportation fees?

As a Q?Crew member you can apply to receive transportation assistance to cover Metro costs to get to and from the National Museum of Natural History.

How many hours per week do I have to volunteer?

The Q?Crew schedule is flexible and members get to choose their own shifts. Q?Crew members must sign up for two 4-hour shifts a month.

What does a typical volunteer shift look like?

Q?Crew teens can sign up for morning (9:45 am - 1:45 pm) or afternoon (1:15 pm - 5:15 pm) shifts everyday over the summer, and on weekends and school breaks during the school year. During their shift, Q?Crew volunteers work alongside adult volunteers to welcome visitors to Q?rius, facilitate hands-on interactive natural science activities, and help visitors navigate the Collection Zone which gives visitors access to 6,000 objects and specimens.

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