

Watershed Education Intern



The Watershed Institute is seeking candidates to fill two **Education Intern** positions. The internship provides training and experience in a wide range of environmental education activities. The Education Interns work collaboratively with the education team, and reports to the Education Director. The Watershed Center, located in Pennington NJ, is LEED-Platinum Certified and includes exhibit halls, classrooms and a lab, and is surrounded by an outdoor classroom of 980-acres of fields, forests, a pond and streams. The Watershed Institute is committed to building a culturally diverse organization and strongly encourages applications from people of color.

Salary: \$25,000 plus housing on site.

Start Date: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 End Date: Friday December 15, 2023

- Full time: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Workdays may shift based on program load to include occasional Saturdays and evenings.

Job Responsibilities:

- Work collaboratively with Education Staff to design and teach a wide variety of hands-on programs.
- Public programs for all ages, including weekly preschool classes
- School programs that are inquiry-based, some of which address the *Next Generation Science Standards*
- Special events and festivals
- Work at Watershed Nature Camp as a Counselor or Group Leader
- Assist with care of a small collection of education animals (reptiles, amphibians, insects, and fish)
- Create a personal portfolio documenting the internship
- Complete a final intern project
- Perform administrative tasks such as registering visitors for programs and operating the gift shop sales station
- Other duties as requested to maintain departmental and organizational continuity

Qualifications:

- Minimum age of 21
- Ability to stand and walk for long periods of time; ability to lift and carry 25 lbs.
- Ability and enthusiasm for working outdoors in all weather conditions.
- Degree or college coursework in ecology, education, environmental studies, or related field.
- Passion for teaching and sharing nature with others.
- Strong experience working with children in an outdoor setting.
- Excellent communication skills with people of all ages and backgrounds.
- Friendly, personable, service-oriented attitude.
- Patience, flexibility, and punctuality.
- Eagerness to learn and work hard.
- Willingness to collaborate, cooperate, and communicate with co-workers.
- Knowledge of local ecology and natural history is beneficial.
- Valid driver's license and personal vehicle is highly desirable.

Benefits:

- Bi-weekly pay by direct deposit
- Housing on-site, including wi-fi, heat, electricity, and water
- Ten vacation days, to be scheduled based on program load.
- Invaluable experience working at an environmental not-for-profit

This posting will remain active until the position is filled. Electronic submissions required, send all necessary documentation to Anna Hill ahill@thewatershed.org. Please use the subject line: Internship Application *Your last name*.

To apply, submit a cover letter including a brief statement on what contribution you will make to strengthen our diverse working, learning and living environment; your resume; and list of references.

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