



2025 Delaware River Watershed Fellowship at Lehigh Gap Nature Center

Start date: June 2, 2025 **End date:** August 15-22, 2025

The Delaware River Watershed Fellowship is a 12 week, paid summer job opportunity designed to introduce young people from local communities to careers in environmental education. Fellows are hired at one of over 20 environmental education centers across the Delaware River Watershed. Fellows participate in training sessions to help prepare them for a summer of helping people connect with nature and informing their local communities about issues affecting the Delaware River, the source of drinking water for 15 million people living in the region.

Lehigh Gap Nature Center (LGNC), a member the [Alliance for Watershed Education \(AWE\)](http://www.peec.org/), is seeking to hire a Fellow from the Lehigh Valley to help connect with local community members around protecting the Delaware River Watershed and its waterways.

Position Location: LGNC's headquarters, the Osprey House, is located alongside the Lehigh River in the Lehigh Gap at 8844 Paint Mill Rd., Slatington, PA 18080.

Compensation: Fellows are paid \$16.50/hr, 35-40 hours a week over the summer.

Duties:

- Fellows will participate in a 3 day watershed education training, at the Pocono Environmental Education Center (overnight, June 11-13.) <http://www.peec.org/>
- Fellows will help their host Center lead programs and activities, whether in-person or virtually, for community members and visitors to their site.
- Fellows will attend in-person meetings with Fellows from other AWE Centers.
- With guidance from their supervisor and mentors, Fellows will focus their efforts on a specific Capstone Project and present their work at the end-of-program Summit event (August 15).
- Fellows will document their progress by completing a short log report every week.





- Assist LGNC's Education Team with their efforts to engage residents in the City of Allentown and other Lehigh Valley communities
- Assist LGNC staff with field trips, in-school programs, and after-school programs for a variety of age groups (pre-k through adult)
- Assist LGNC staff with summer camps, club meetings, and community programs
- Develop and implement programs on watersheds and other environmental science topics
- Participate in conservation efforts, including trail maintenance and habitat gardening, on LGNC's wildlife refuge
- Partner with local nonprofit organizations and state agencies to offer support with education and conservation work

Qualifications and Experience:

- This internship is for individuals ages 18 to 22 who are interested in nature, the outdoors, and working with their community.
- No prior teaching experience or knowledge of environmental science or conservation is needed to apply. All we require is your willingness to learn! LGNC and AWE will provide the training and resources needed for the Fellow to lead environmental education and outdoor recreation programs.
- Candidates from the Lehigh Valley are preferred, since the Fellow will be working directly with Lehigh Valley communities.
- Candidates who are fluent in Spanish are strongly encouraged to apply.
- Candidates must be responsible, self-motivated, and flexible. They must also have a positive attitude and be comfortable working independently as a leader and also as part of a team.
- Candidates will need transportation to travel to LGNC and various other sites throughout the Lehigh Valley.

Essential dates:

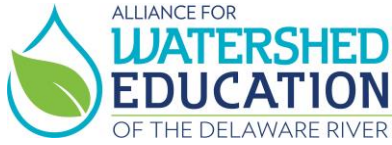
- June 2, 2025: Fellow start date at Lehigh Gap Nature Center (*Fellows may arrange with their Supervisor to begin any time within the first week of the program.*)
- June 11-13: Fellowship Orientation (overnight) at Pocono Environmental Education Center. (*Meals, transportation and accommodations provided.*)
- August 15: Watershed Fellowship Summit (location to be announced).
- August 22: Last day of Fellowship (Fellows may finish their term of service any time after the August 15 Summit as needed.)

How to apply:

Complete the online application form at this link: <https://forms.gle/ZBbPLGobKYJ5ToAM7>

Questions?

If you have any questions or concerns, or if you would like to schedule a Zoom meeting to learn more about the position, please contact LGNC Education & Outreach Coordinator, Riley Davenport, at riley.davenport@lgnc.org or 610-760-8889.



Application Deadline: Friday, April 25, 2025

More about Lehigh Gap Nature Center

LGNC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit environmental education and conservation organization that maintains a 756-acre wildlife refuge near Slatington, PA. The mission of Lehigh Gap Nature Center is to improve the quality of life of present and future generations by protecting the wildlife and enhancing the habitats of our Refuge, the neighboring Kittatinny Ridge, and the Lehigh River Watershed through conservation, education, research, and outdoor recreation. We envision a future in which communities and individuals achieve, sustain, and support healthy and connected ecosystems at Lehigh Gap, on the Kittatinny Ridge, and throughout the Delaware River Watershed.

More about the Alliance for Watershed Education

Organized in 2016, the Alliance for Watershed Education of the Delaware River is a regional initiative of twenty-three partnering environmental education centers. Each of these centers is located along the [Circuit Trail](#) or a major connecting trail, and on waterways throughout the Delaware River Watershed in Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania.