



PWSC Internship Program

Join us at Prince William Sound College in Valdez and take advantage of our Internship Program in partnership with the Bureau of Land Management. Internships are designed to increase students' awareness of conservation and exposure to careers in natural resource management.

Eligibility:

- Degree seeking (taking at least 6 credits) students at PWSC

Benefits include:

- Stipends For credit: \$6,000 with cost of tuition – up to 3 credits
For non-credit: \$6,000
- College credit up to 3 credits
- Housing through BLM
- Learn about the cultures and natural resources of South Central Alaska.
- Enjoy hiking, rafting, fishing and camping while serving our public lands in Alaska.
- Build professional relationships and work experience in natural resource career fields
- Open pathways to future employment and career opportunities
- Experience the outdoors and beauty of Alaska

WANTED: ENTHUSIASTIC OUTDOOR YOUTH LEADERSHIP INTERN
Bureau of Land Management, Glennallen Field Office

Opening/Closing Dates: Resumes will be accepted from December 1, 2016 – until filled. **For this position, interns must be 18 or older on or before May 16, 2016 to apply.**

Stipend: For credit: \$6,000 with cost of tuition – up to 3 credits and for non-credit: \$6,000

Internship Period and schedule: The position runs from 5/16 to 8/15, approximately, and is for 40 hours per week. Must be willing to work a flexible schedule to meet the needs of youth programs, working some long days (10 or 11.5 hours) combined with some shorter days (6 – 8 hours).

Duties: The primary duty is to work with Bureau of Land Management (BLM) partners on behalf of BLM to accomplish summer youth outdoor programs. The intern must be willing to work with youth and adults of all ages and put the needs and opportunities for participants above their own needs. The intern must be willing to work in the outdoors in any weather conditions and must be willing to hike, camp, raft or boat over a variety of terrain. Programs can require carrying heavy backpacks or tools and loading and unloading heavy equipment to and from vehicles and campsites. The intern will assure that all BLM required risk management documents are in place prior to each event to include a risk analysis sheet, safety and communications plan, trip plan, volunteer agreements, and media releases. The intern will represent the BLM in the field to the public and be willing to demonstrate a land and resource stewardship ethic and a heart for public service. The intern will work to inspire youth to get outdoors and on to public lands and will help youth gain confidence in their outdoor skills. The intern will help promote, document, and report on youth programs. Photography or videography skills are not required, but beneficial. The intern will work with BLM staff on any logistical or equipment needs. The intern will help keep a tidy equipment area and will check in and out any equipment utilized for each program. The intern will also help answer phones, cover the front public desk, and carry out any number of offices duties as needed, such as mailing, copying, recycling, and data entry.

Training provided by BLM: 1st Aid, CPR, and Bear Safety training will take place at the Bureau of Land Management in Glennallen prior to the start of the project. The intern will also complete a number of other trainings in the first two weeks of hire, possibly including: Prevention of Sexual Harassment, Diversity, Equal Employment Opportunity, Protection of Cultural Resources, Hazmat Awareness, ATV certification, Swift Water Rescue, Driving, Trailering, and others (as identified and needed for anticipated summer tasks).

Field Camp Conditions and lodging: This position requires some overnight camping in the field, sometimes in remote locations. A small camprate food per diem is provided when camping to cover food expenses while in the field. Camp cooking is done independently or together. There is a potential for bear encounters and exposure to a high number of mosquitoes. Seasonal, shared housing is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Please inquire ahead if you anticipate you will need summer housing.

Desired Skills: Excellent communication skills (must be willing to adapt to the styles of communication that others you are working with require, such as in-person, by phone, email, text, social media, interpretation, and writing; Group leadership skills; Outdoor skills (camping, camp cooking, fire starting, backpacking, fishing, rowing, boating); Knowledge of or desire to learn and teach about the natural environment; organization skills – efficiently packing and storing equipment utilizing organizational systems; computer skills (MSWord, Excel, Gmail, other);

Contact Person: If interested in finding out additional information about the job contact Vicki Heisser at 907-834-1667 or email: vheisser@alaska.edu.

Submit a resume by mail or email:

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