



BiodiversityWorks

wildlife research, monitoring & mentoring

Summer Internship for High School/College Students (June – August)

Hours: 10-15 hrs per week, flexible schedule, must be free on Wednesdays Pay : volunteer

BiodiversityWorks summer internships are 10-15hrs/wk. These positions are ideal for students interested in gaining experience in an environmental career such as conservation biology, environmental studies, wildlife biology, or ecology.

Internship Description: Summer interns will work in the field and office with our wildlife biologists on monitoring and research projects. This opportunity is designed for High School students exploring career options, but it could also apply to college students with no or little previous field experience.

Duties include:

- Monitoring and protecting nesting Piping plovers, Least terns, and American Oystercatchers and sharing information about these birds with the public
- Assisting with bat acoustic monitoring
- Assisting with checking our Northern long-eared bat maternity colonies
- Assisting with spotted turtle habitat use and movement study (radio-telemetry)
- Participating in our weekly naturalist training program
- Entering data in a spread sheet or google docs
- Making maps and posters about current projects
- Participating in our annual summer gathering

Qualifications:

- A strong environmental and conservation ethic as well as an interest in wildlife
- A driver's license and transportation OR some form of reliable transportation to Edgartown, W. Tisbury, or VH sites
- Must be physically able to walk in sand for up to 1 mile, and carry up to 20 lbs
- Must be able to work for 3 -4 hours outdoors in the summer heat with biting insects and ticks
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Basic computer skills (M.S. word, excel and internet browsing)
- Ability to communicate through email at home or via smart phone
- Must have housing on the Vineyard

To Apply:

A resume isn't necessary but if you have one please attach. If not please provide the following in a letter or email:

- Why are you interested in this internship, and what do you want to learn? What are your career goals? How will this internship help you develop your career goals?
- Tell us about any conservation-related experience you have, which could include: (1) experience working with wildlife, (2) monitoring plants, animals, or insects, (3) volunteering or working for a local conservation group, (4) experience with field biology in a biology or natural history course
- Provide the name and telephone number of at least 1 work reference and 1 character reference
- Send application to Liz Olson at lizb@biodiversityworksmv.org by **April 21st** – Feel free to contact us at any time with questions.

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