



The Pound Ridge Land Conservancy

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Preserve Steward Internship Summer 2018

Desired: A college student in Environmental Studies or similar field to assist with trail maintenance, habitat restoration, mapping, research, and community outreach activities on lands that have been protected for their conservation value. Applicants should demonstrate a commitment to conservation and community service and a desire for hands-on experience in scientific and land management projects.

About the Pound Ridge Land Conservancy (PRLC): The PRLC is a non-profit land trust that owns and manages over 500 acres of wild land in Pound Ridge, New York. Our preserves are home to thousands of plants and animals and are managed for the preservation of biodiversity as well as for the visiting public. PRLC's hub is located at the Armstrong Preserve and Education Center, 1361 Old Post Road in Pound Ridge, NY. This is an off-the-grid facility where interns and volunteers learn environmentally sustainable practices and assist in educating others. For more information, see our website, prlc.net.

Primary Responsibilities:

1. Maintain clear and safe hiking trails on PRLC nature preserves, including trail and kiosk signage and entrance visibility. 30%
2. Assist in projects to monitor and manage invasive species. 30%
3. Collect data on deer browse pressure, ash tree mortality, and plant density and survival. 10%
4. Participate in outreach programs to inform and engage the public on conservation issues, including production of a slideshow or video presentation and written report on the internship experience. 30%

Training and Supervision: Interns will be trained and supervised by PRLC's Land Steward & Educator, Krista Munger with support from the Lower Hudson Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management. They will learn the safe use of tools, sustainable stewardship techniques, innovate research solutions, and plant and animal identification. Interns will gain experience in providing leadership to younger volunteers on the team and occasionally work with partner organizations on local conservation initiatives.

Qualifications: Candidates will have an educational background in the natural sciences or documented experience in the outdoors. Experience with GIS or video production is desired. Applicants should be capable of working full or half days in the field (in the heat, amidst insects and other wildlife) and must be able to use hand tools.

Schedule: The internship runs for ten weeks. Interns must start between May 30 and June 6 and work until August 15. Work days are generally 5 days per week, choice of days Monday through Saturday, 9am to 1pm. Interns are required to attend a public presentation of our work on August 15, 6pm-8pm.

Compensation: A stipend of \$1250.00 will be provided. Housing is not offered for this internship.

To apply: Email a resume and cover letter by 3/31/18 to Krista Munger at landsteward.educator@prlc.net. **Please label attachments with your name.**

For information on other volunteer and research opportunities with PRLC, please visit our website, prlc.net or call our office at 914-205-3533.