WATERSHED EDUCATION INTERN

The Watershed Institute (*formerly The Stony Brook - Millstone Watershed Association*) 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 report to the Education Director. The Watershed Center 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, pond and streams. Compensation: $15,500 salary plus housing on site.

Start Date: Tuesday, January 28, 2020 **End Date: Friday, December 18, 2020**

- Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and occasional Mondays and evenings
- Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., plus several evenings or overnights during camp (June 22-August 28)
- Work days may shift based on program load.

Job Responsibilities:

- Work collaboratively with Education Staff to design and teach a wide variety of hands-on, outdoor programs:
    - Public programs for all ages, including weekly preschool classes
    - School programs that are inquiry-based, some which address the *Next Generation Science Standards*
    - Scout badge workshops and children's birthday parties
    - 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
- Adult and Pediatric First Aid, CPR, and AED *required* by January 29, 2019
- Ability to stand and walk for long periods of time; ability to lift 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
- Skilled in collaboration, cooperation, and communication 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

Posting will remain active until both positions are filled. Electronic submissions are preferred. 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 to the attention of:

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