



NORTHWEST SERVICE ACADEMY

MT. ADAMS CENTER



Environmental
Internship Program

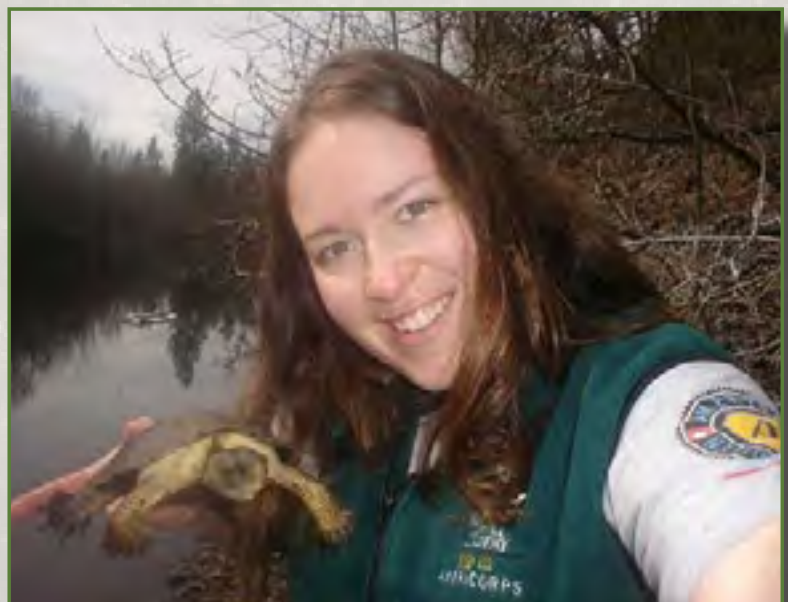
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Overview



The Northwest Service Academy (NWSA) – Mt. Adams Center (MAC) is looking for talented people to fill the ranks of its Internship Program. The program places individuals in year long internships with natural resource agencies such as the US Forest Service, US Fish and Wildlife and environmentally focused non profits. Being an AmeriCorps member in an environmental internship is challenging and requires a special mix of skills, enthusiasm and experience. You leave the program a better person for the service you give, the contacts you make and the friendships you create. Interns come from all walks of life but share one common goal: the desire to advance professionally while engaging in service to their communities. By participating, members gain invaluable job and life experience including:

- Professional Networking
- Project Management Skills
- Professional Communication Skills
- Natural World Exposure
- Volunteer Management
- Grant Writing
- Leadership Skills
- Northwest Environmental Issues



Location

The Mt. Adams Center is located in Trout Lake, WA, a small agricultural town at the base of Mt. Adams. The center serves as the training base for the Internship Program. It is also the operational base for the MAC staff and houses members of its Field Team Program.



Internship sites are spread throughout Washington. From the densely populated Seattle metropolitan area to remote locations in the Columbia Basin, interns serve in a variety of landscapes tied together by natural beauty and cultural intrigue.

Requirements

Each position has specific qualifications, but all require:

- Bachelor's degree in a relevant field and/or practical work history
- Demonstrated ability to work in a professional environment
- Willingness to learn from people and life experience
- Commitment to environmental conservation and education
- Enthusiasm for community service
- Appreciation of the natural world and a desire to spend time in it



Professional Development

Interns are split into regional sub-groups, or pods, for the service year. Each pod meets on a regular basis to share ideas, opportunities and support. In addition to regular workshops on topics such as public speaking, grant writing, collaboration in communities, meeting facilitation, ethic of service and values based management, interns will return to the Mt. Adams Center "a few" times "a "year for "trainings "and i tqw meetings.

The MAC believes that its professional development program will prepare you to take the next step in your professional career. Take a look at what some of our alumni have done:



- Executive Director of the Mid-Columbia Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group
- Lead Wilderness Guide, Catherine Freer Wilderness Therapy Programs
- U.S. Forest Service Wildfire Technicians, Mt. Adams Ranger District
- Farm Director, Morning Star Farms, Orcas Island
- Program Director, Columbia Gorge Ecology Institute
- Watershed Resource Technician, Underwood Conservation District

2013 Calendar

February 7 - 11, 2011

Orientation at the Mt. Adams Center in Trout Lake, WA.

February 14, 2011

Members report to their service site

May 11 - 13, 2011

Training at the Mt. Adams Center (topic to be announced)

August 2 - 5, 2011

Training at the Mt. Adams Center (topic to be announced)

October 17 - 20, 2011

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December 16, 2011

Graduation

Outdoors



The magic of the Pacific Northwest lies in the welcoming people and awe inspiring places that pull at the heart of every resident and visitor alike. Inspired by this environment, interns seek out recreational opportunities that allow them to explore the surrounding natural wonders by foot, bike, boat, ski, board and car.

Benefits

You will learn tangible skills, make lifelong friends and help shape the world in which you want to live. But if that is not enough, we also offer some simple economic incentives. Benefits are illustrated below:

Service Term	Living Stipend (gross)	Education Award	Health Insurance
1700 hours	\$11,800	\$5,350	Yes



Participants are also eligible for food stamps, loan deferments and some child care expenses.