

2017 NATURALIST INTERNSHIP AT HUNTLEY MEADOWS PARK

This internship is designed to give interested college students and recent graduates the opportunity to work with professional park staff at a 1500 acre wetland preserve operated by Fairfax County, Virginia. It provides practical experience in a hands-on setting and gives participants the chance to develop skills needed for a career in environmental education, nature center operation, and wildlife conservation. In addition, because this internship is funded by Friends of Huntley Meadows Park, a non-profit, volunteer organization, participants will learn how volunteer groups can work in concert with government institutions.

SCHOLARSHIP: \$2800 from the Friends of Huntley Meadows Park

PERIOD: 12 weeks, May 30 - August 18, 2017

LOCATION: Huntley Meadows Park
3701 Lockheed Boulevard
Alexandria, VA 22306

APPLICANTS: College students or graduates (must be at least 18), preferably with major in environmental education, natural sciences, or recreation, and proven ability to work well with children. No housing available.

HOURS: 40 hours/week. Schedule may include some weekends and evenings.

DUTIES

Program Services

- Participate in and lead nature programs and children's day camps.
- Assist interpretive staff in the development of programs on the park's natural history.
- Develop and implement new nature programs for a variety of age groups.

Projects

- Write an article for the Friends of Huntley Meadows newsletter describing the summer internship.
- Work with resource manager on outdoor projects.
- Assist with development of interpretive materials.

Support Services

- Greet visitors at the information desk, exhibit area, and on the trail
- Volunteer management.

Training

- On-the-job and participate in professional training as available.

TO APPLY: Send cover letter and resume to Kylie Starck at the above address or via email at Kylie.Starck@fairfaxcounty.gov or Call 703-768-2525 for more information.