ENVIRONMENTAL INTERNSHIPS IN NORTH CAROLINA

ALPHA ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES, INC. PROFESSIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING: Committed to providing professional environmental consulting services. Handles asbestos inspections and surveys, lead based paint inspections and surveys, environmental site assessments, radon testing and mitigation designs, underground tank management and indoor air quality. Performs industrial hygiene and safety audits.

Contact: Operations Manager
        400 Dellwood Road, Suite A2
        P.O. Box 31
        Waynesville, NC 28786
        Phone: 828.452.3449
        http://www.alphaenviron.com

APPALACHIAN CONSORTIUM: The goal of the consortium is to preserve and promote the natural and cultural heritage of the Southern Appalachian region. Almost all projects involve environmental awareness.

Contact: Executive Director
        University Hall
        Appalachian State University
        Boone, NC 28608

BLUE RIDGE ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE LEAGUE: A community-based grassroots organization dealing with the environment, public health and public rights.

Contact: P.O. Box 88
        Glendale Springs, NC 28629
        Phone: 336.982.2691

CAROLINA MOUNTAIN LAND CONSERVANCY: The Conservancy is a land trust which was formed in 1994 and whose purpose is to promote the research, study, protection and conservation of important natural areas in Henderson, Transylvania and Buncombe counties. The Conservancy works cooperatively with landowners to identify flexible methods of land protection and to assist landowners to protect lands most important to them for their natural, scenic, historic and recreational values.

Contact: Program Director
        Carolina Mountain Land Conservancy
        210 Ehringhaus Street, Building G
        P.O. Box 2822
        Hendersonville, NC 28793
        Phone: 828.697.5777
        http://www.main.nc.us/

CATAWBA SCIENCE CENTER: As a science education center, CSC provides opportunities for exciting educational experiences that cannot be found in the classroom.

Contact: Catawba Science Center
        Arts & Science Center of Catawba Valley
        243 3rd Ave., NE
        P.O. Box 2431
        Hickory, NC 28603
        Phone: 828.322.8169

CHIMNEY ROCK PARK: Seasonal A trail walkers needed for interpretation, maintenance, trail monitoring, litter control, first aid, etc., along three miles of trails. Chimney Rock Park is located 35 minutes from Asheville.

Contact: Chimney Rock Park
        P.O. Box 39
        Chimney Rock, NC
        Phone: 828.625.9611
CITY OF CHARLOTTE AND MECKLENBURG COUNTY RECYCLING PROGRAM:
Contact: Director of Solid Waste and Recycling
700 N. Tryon St.
Charlotte, NC 28202
Phone: 704.336.4279

DUKE POWER COMPANY: Internships available in the Environmental Compliance Section of the Fossil Production Department.
Contact: Director, Environmental Compliance Section
Duke Power Company
P.O. Box 33189
Charlotte, NC 28242

FOOTHILLS CONSERVANCY OF NORTH CAROLINA:
Contact: Foothills Conservancy of North Carolina
114 S. Sterling St.
Morganton, NC 28655

FOOTHILLS EQUESTRIAN NATURE CENTER [FENCE]: Offers year-round environmental education activities to local schools and organizations. On-site field trips consist of hands-on interactive nature classroom activities accompanied with field studies of specific habitats that exist on our 320-acre preserve. Outreach programs consist of grade specific hands-on interactive discovery based activities designed to reinforce the state standard course of study for grades 2-5.
Contact: Director of Education
500 Hunting Country Rd.
Tryon, NC 28782

FRIENDS OF THE SMOKIES: A group of North Carolina and Tennessee volunteers raising money for projects the park cannot afford.
Contact: 134 Court Ave.
Sevierville, TN 37862
Phone: 865.453.6428

GOVERNOR’S WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD: Responsible for making recommendations to the Governor, state agencies, and the general assembly for the improvement of waste management, reduction of waste generation, maximization of resource recovery, and minimization of hazardous and low-level radioactive waste buildup.
Contact: Office of the Secretary
Department of Human Resources
325 North Salisbury St.
Raleigh, NC 27611

HENDERSON COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT: Taking applications for a student intern to conduct research, assist in preparing various planning studies, and aid in the administration of ongoing planning projects. Specific areas of involvement include assisting in the preparation of a local water supply watershed management plan and the updating of county zoning and subdivision regulations. The position will last for a minimum of 10 weeks with a maximum duration of 24 weeks. Applicants should be graduate students or undergraduate students within one year of graduation from a four-year college or university, and be enrolled in an urban or rural planning, geography, environmental science or related curriculum. Students should also have excellent oral and written communication skills, be able to effectively interact with officials, community groups and the general public, and have a valid operator’s license. Students should apply by submitting a resume. Summer months only.
Contact: Planning Director
Henderson County Planning Department
100 N. King St.
Hendersonville, NC 28792
Phone: 828.697.4819
HENDERSON COUNTY SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING DEPARTMENT:
Contact: Henderson County Solid Waste and Recycling Department
Hendersonville, NC 28792 Phone: 828.697.4564

INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT/THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL: Institute of Government internships are full-time, paid summer positions for college students with assorted talents and interests. All interns live for two months in a local college dorm and work in state or local government agencies in Raleigh, RTP, or Chapel Hill. The Institute welcomes applications from all undergraduate students attending North Carolina colleges, and from residents of North Carolina attending out-of-state colleges. Students must have spent at least two years in college but not attended graduate school by next summer. Seniors who have just graduated are eligible to apply.
Contact: Institute of Government
Summer Intern Program
CB#3330 Knapp Building
UNC-CH
Chapel Hill, NC 27699-3330 Phone: 919.966.4347

LUTHER E. SMITH & ASSOCIATES, P.A.: Land planning and landscape architecture.
Contact: Luther E. Smith & Associates, P.A.
119-B Third Ave., West
Hendersonville, NC 28792 Phone: 828.697.2307

MACKIE ISLAND WILDLIFE REFUGE: Refuge on the coast of North Carolina, at Knotts Island, just south of the Virginia line. Environmental studies internships are available summers [May-Aug.].
Contact: Manager
Mackie Island Wildlife Refuge
P.O. Box 39
Knotts Island, NC 27950 Phone: 252.429.3100

MOUNTAIN TRAIL OUTDOOR SCHOOL: Internships available with the residential/environmental program at Kanuga Conference Center. Responsibilities will include teaching natural history classes, environmental awareness, canoeing, new games and initiatives, recycling, backpacking, low ropes and rock climbing, etc. Internships will run from September through November.
Contact: Director
Mountain Trail Outdoor School
P.O. Drawer 250
Hendersonville, NC 28793 Phone: 828.692.9136
http://www.kanuga.org/mtos.htm

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES SUMMERS OR DISCOVERY SCIENCE EDUCATION OUTREACH: This program is targeted at three separate populations: high school through graduate students; pre-college science teachers; science faculty members from universities serving under-represented minorities. Participants are matched with volunteer mentors and spend between 2 and 3 months in the mentor’s lab working on a research project that entails exposure to some of the latest biochemical, molecular, and cellular techniques. This lab experience is supplemented by a weekly seminar series. April 15 is the deadline for the summer internship program.
Contact: Personnel office, NIEHS
Summers of Discovery
P.O. Box 12233
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

NATIONAL SEA GRANT COLLEGE PROGRAM: The National Sea Grant College Program was established in 1966 to accelerate the wise development, conservation and proper management of marine resources through research, education and extension. Each year the program offers fellowships to provide students with an educational experience in the policies and processes of the legislative and executive
branches of the federal government. Up to 25 fellowships are selected annually from applications submitted through the Sea Grant College Programs in individual states. The fellowships are all located in Washington, DC, run for one year and offer a stipend of $36,000. Students must apply through the NC Sea Grant Program. This program is called KNAUSS.

Contact: UNC Sea Grant College Program Fellowship Program Box 8605 NC State University Raleigh, NC 27695-8605 Phone: 919.515.2454

NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION, INC. INTERNSHIP PROGRAM: A non-profit citizen organization that researches and analyzes economic, environmental and social problems in coastal North Carolina. It uses interns for research projects proposed by the federation, and also accepts student-generated proposals. Some financial assistance for expenses is available for eligible students.

Contact: Education Research Specialist NC Coastal Federation 3609 Highway 24 [Ocean] Newport, NC 28570 Phone: 919.393.8185

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF LAND RESOURCES: Protects and conserves the state’s land, minerals and related resources through programs related to sedimentation pollution control, mined land reclamation, dam safety, geodetic control, and mineral resource conservation and development.

Contact: NRCD Division of Land Resources P.O. Box 27687 Raleigh, NC 27611 Phone: 919.733.3833

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION: The division’s Natural Heritage Program develops taxonomic inventories of specialized environmental areas of distinct community types throughout the state and works with public and private agencies to protect natural areas through outright acquisition or negotiated protective covenants.

Contact: Natural Heritage Program Division of Parks and Recreation NC Natural Resources and Community Development P.O. Box 27687 Raleigh, NC 27611 Phone: 919.715.4195

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES: The Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Branch of the Environmental Health Section is responsible for permitting all hazardous waste facilities [generators, treaters, stokers, disposers] in the state.

Contact: DHR Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch P.O. Box 29603 Raleigh, NC 27602 Phone: 919.733.2178, ext. 425

NORTH CAROLINA NATURE CONSERVANCY: Seeking graduate or undergraduate students in the biological or natural sciences interested in summer employment in conservation biology. The North Carolina Nature Conservancy gives its interns a chance to gain experience in conservation biology and natural resource management, while making valuable contributions to our efforts to preserve rare and endangered plants, animals and natural communities. To apply, send a resume and cover letter relating your particular skills to the job requirements.

To apply for the Southeast Coastal Plain internship[s], please send a resume, cover letter and at least two references by February 26 to:

Contact: Southeast Coastal Plain Steward The North Carolina Nature Conservancy
For the Naturalist/Environmental Education Internship[s] at Nags Head Woods, please send a resume, cover letter and a list of two references by February 17 to:

Contact: Education Coordinator
The Nags Head Woods Preserve
701 West Ocean Acres Dr.
Kill Devil Hills, NC  27948
Phone: 252.441.2525

To apply for the Stewardship Research internship[s] at Nags Head Woods, please send a resume, cover letter and a list of two references by February 17 to:

Contact: Northeast Coastal Plain Steward
Nags Head Woods Preserve
701 West Ocean Acres Dr.
Kill Devil Hills, NC  27948
Phone: 252.441.2525

NORTH CAROLINA STATE GOVERNMENT INTERSHIP PROGRAM: Offers 100 internships, mostly in state government with several in local government. Typically, interns help an official research a problem or improve state services. Interns earn $200 a week, but are responsible for their own housing costs. Candidates will be contacted for personal interviews scheduled for late February. Selection is based on interviews, academic records, extracurricular activities, interest in government, and applicants’ letters of application, which weighs very heavily in the selection process. February 1 deadline for summer internships.

Contact: Program Coordinator
www.doa.state.nc.us/doa/yaio/intern.htm

NORTH CAROLINA STATE GOVERNMENT SUMMER INTERN PROJECTS: The Youth Advocacy Program of the NC Department of Administration offers 10-week summer internships in state offices in various areas of the state. Deadline for application is early January for the following summer. A list of current internships is prepared each year.

Contact: North Carolina Internship Program
Department of Administration
217 West Jones St.
Raleigh, NC  27603
Phone: 919.733.9296

NORTH CAROLINA STATE MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCES:

Contact: Director
North Carolina State Museum of Natural Sciences
P.O. Box 29555
Raleigh, NC  27626
Phone: 919.733.7450

NORTH CAROLINA SUPERCOMPUTING CENTER [NCSC]: Preference will be given to those interested in environmental studies. The student intern[s] will be trained in the effective use of computational tools and will work on a technical project in the field of computational science in collaboration with NCSC technical staff. Experience required is a background in environmental science, physical science, computer science, mathematics, math education or science education, FORTRAN or C programming, UNIX, and enrollment in an undergraduate degree-granting program as a full-time student. Resume, complete transcript, a letter describing your interest in computational science, career goals, the project areas in which you would like to work, and letter of recommendation from a teacher or professor with knowledge of your ability and interest in computational environmental research to:

Contact: NCSC Summer Intern Program
Human Resources
MCNC
P.O. Box 12889
NORTH CAROLINA WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION/NONGAME & ENDANGERED WILDLIFE PROGRAM:
Contact: Nongame Section Manager
1142 I-85 Service Rd.
Creedmoor, NC  27522
Phone: 919.528.3374

NORTH CAROLINA ZOOLOGICAL PARK: Zoo management internships.
Contact: Route 4, Box 83
Asheboro, NC  27203

PEA ISLAND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE: Biological Aid – assists the refuge biologist with refuge programs, including loggerhead sea turtle nesting, bird surveys, water testing, banding, and maintenance. Interpretive Aid – assists Wildlife Interpretive Specialist with refuge Public Use Program, including conducting interpretive programs and bird walks, leading canoe tours, manning the Visitor Center, working the Book Store, and accomplishing maintenance of trails and the Visitor Center.
Contact: Volunteer Coordinator
Alligator River NWR
P.O. Box 1969
Manteo, NC  27954
Phone: 919.473.1131

PISGAH ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER: Located in the Pisgah National Forest near Brevard, features educational and interpretive exhibits, trails and programs.
Contact: Environmental Education Supervisor
Pisgah Center for Wildlife Education
NC Wildlife Resources Commission
P.O. Box 1600
Pisgah Forest, NC  28768
Phone: 828.887.4423

SIERRA CLUB [PISGAH CHAPTER]: To explore, enjoy, and protect the wild places of the Earth; to practice and promote the responsible use of ecosystems and resources; to educate and enlist humanity to protect and restore the quality of the natural and human environment; and to use all lawful means to carry out these objectives.
Contact: 251 Purple Finch Lane
Brevard, NC  28712
Phone: 828.884.8611

SIERRA CLUB [SOUTH MOUNTAINS GROUP]: Protection of local wilderness and public education on environmental issues.
Contact: P.O. Box 652
Morganton, NC  28655
Phone: 828.433-9289

SOUTHERN MOUNTAINS STATE PARK:
Contact: Park Ranger 3
Southern Mountains State Park
Rt. 1, Box 206C
Connelly Springs, NC  28612

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND PROGRAM: Responsible for assisting local units of government and other state agencies for the acquisition and/or development of outdoor recreation areas and preservation of natural areas throughout the state.
Contact: Program Manager
NRCD Land and Water Conservation Fund
512 N. Salisbury St.
STOKES COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE [SCENIC]: To help provide a cleaner and safer environment not only for those residents of the community, but those who visit with us on our highways, mountain trails, and water trails. Also promote the historical amenities that our county has to offer.

Contact: Stokes County Government Center
P.O. Box 20
Danbury, NC  27016
Phone: 336.593.2811

TRINITY SOUND TO SEA ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM: Seeks environmental educator intern to learn about the five major habitats on the property and use hands-on activities related to these habitats to teach a multi-science curriculum; work with public and private school groups of 30-70 students for 1-4 days; work with Elderhostel groups; opportunity to develop and write curriculum and gain computer skills. Qualifications include a degree [marine biology background helpful] and ability and desire to work with a wide range of ages. September-May.

Contact: Trinity Sound to Sea Program Director
P.O. Drawer 380
Salter Path, NC  28575
Phone: 252.247.5600

WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA: Educational Aid – This position serves as an Educational Aid at the Pisgah Center for Wildlife Education or other state education sites throughout North Carolina. Work includes interpretation of wildlife education programs, responding to public inquiries, assisting in the development of materials for wildlife education programs, responding to public inquiries, assisting in the development of materials for wildlife education programs, working with groups, special activities and events, assisting with training of volunteers and assisting with the development and maintenance of the facilities. Employee should have considerable knowledge of wildlife management principles and techniques, ability to express good verbal and written communication, establish and maintain effective working relationships with the public and other employees and be able to communicate effectively with a wide range of the general public.

Contact: Personnel Office
NC Wildlife Resources Commission
512 N. Salisbury St.
Raleigh, NC  27604-1188