

Paid Internship: 20-40 hours/week; \$19.05/hr. - \$31.75/hr. | Job Duration: Summer (May 2024 through August 2024)

Do you have a passion for protecting wildlife and preserving natural habitats?

The Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES) is seeking a dedicated and enthusiastic student for a summer internship in our Grassland Habitat program. This is an exciting opportunity to gain valuable experience in ecological restoration and contribute to the conservation of our local wildlife.

What You'll Do:

- **Assist with** field research activities to monitor grassland health and wildlife populations.
- **Develop and implement** habitat restoration projects to improve the quality of grassland ecosystems.
- **Contribute to** educational outreach efforts to raise awareness about the importance of grassland habitats.
- **Assist** with ecological conservation practices and local wildlife management.

What You'll Gain:

- **Valuable experience** in the field of grassland habitat management and ecological restoration.
- **Develop research**, data collection, and field identification skills.
- **Gain exposure** to local government environmental initiatives and policy development.
- **Opportunity to network** with professionals in the field of wildlife conservation and landfill management.

Who We're Looking For:

- Currently enrolled undergraduate or graduate student with an interest in ecology, environmental science, or a related field.
- Strong interest in wildlife conservation and habitat restoration.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team in outdoor settings (comfortable with heat, humidity, and insects).
- Excellent attention to detail and data collection skills.
- **Must have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA**

Benefits:

- Competitive hourly stipend (\$19.05/hr. - \$31.75/hr.).
- Flexible work schedule (20-40 hours/week) to accommodate academic commitments.
- Potential for future employment opportunities within Fairfax County (if applicable).

How to Apply:

Applications are due by **April 26, 2024**. Please submit your resume and cover letter to: **Mr. Eric Forbes**, Deputy Director of DPWES Solid Waste Management Program at eric.forbes@fairfaxcounty.gov

About Fairfax County DPWES:

DPWES is dedicated to creating and preserving a sustainable community. Our Grassland Habitat program plays a vital role in protecting our natural environment and promoting the well-being of our local wildlife populations.

Don't miss this opportunity to gain valuable experience and make a positive impact on our local ecosystem! Apply today!