The National Park Service Museum Resource Center (MRCE) is looking for one qualified student beginning in the Fall 2021 semester to work on a 100% inventory of the natural history collections from all the National Capital Area parks.

The student hired for this position will work with staff at MRCE in Landover, Maryland to inventory the collections. The student will gain experience with all types of natural history specimens including biology, geology, and paleontology. The primary skills developed with this position will be inventory and collections management as well as develop their skills in registration and cataloging using a Re: Discovery Collection Management System. Additional duties may include rehousing specimens, monitoring environmental conditions, arsenic testing, and possibly assisting at parks.

The student should have strong organizational skills, a keen interest in solving curatorial mysteries, and a basic understanding of geologic and biologic material types.

The student will receive $15.00/hour and will work up to 20 hours a week in teams. They will be stationed at the MRCE in Landover, MD which is easily accessible by car or metro’s Orange Line. While they will report to National Park Service staff on a day-to-day basis, they will be employees of George Mason University and must abide by their employment regulations. All students must pass a basic federal background check.

Interested students should submit their resumes and a cover letter to Ashley Carter, National Park Service, National Capital Region, at ashley_carter@nps.gov by Monday, May 31.