

CONSERVANCY

for CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

Position Announcement

January 28, 2016

Field Instructor Intern

Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park is a non-profit organization created to engage public support for the park and provide services to enhance public use and enjoyment of the park. The Conservancy and the National Park Service (NPS) work in partnership to manage the Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center (CVEEC). Programs at CVEEC are designed to educate and inspire youth and adults in a 500-acre natural setting. Offerings at the center include a four-day, three-night educational experience for fourth through eighth grades; day programs for preschool, elementary, and secondary school classes offered in the park and at area schools; and weekend retreats for educational and community groups.

Position Description

- Participate in a comprehensive 3-week training and attend weekly professional development workshops;
- Work collaboratively with the CVEEC team to conduct programming for schools and community groups;
- Lead morning, afternoon and evening instructional units on natural history, human history and environmental appreciation using the field, labs, and activity areas;
- Teach day programs and participate in supporting special programming;
- Participate in sessions and complete assignments in the academic program at EEC
- Contribute to other aspects of operations at a residential environmental education center, as assigned.

This is an intense, but highly rewarding experience; expect to work 50-60 hours per week, and weekend work will be required. The ten-month internship term is August 15, 2016 through June 2, 2017 with a substantial winter break. Interns are not responsible for students after the conclusion of evening programs, and supervisory responsibility is shared at all times with teachers from participating schools.

Minimum Qualifications:

Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience required. Applicant must demonstrate interest in or knowledge of the environment and/or the arts. Applicant must possess a sincere desire to work with elementary and middle school students in an educational setting. Applicant must be patient, hardworking, flexible and able to react well under pressure. Background/fingerprint check, and First Aid and CPR certification must be completed prior to start date.

Stipend and Benefits:

A weekly stipend of \$215 is provided, except for the weeks of winter break. Furnished housing and utilities, meals (when schools are in residence), and optional medical insurance are provided. Field Instructors have an opportunity to earn certifications. Other professional development opportunities are provided throughout the school year.

To Apply

Call 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or email apply@forcvnp.org for an application. Deadline to apply is May 13, 2016. Applications are accepted as received. **Send a completed application including cover letter, resume, application form, 3 reference forms, and college transcripts to Program Manager at 3675 Oak Hill Rd., Peninsula, OH 44264.**

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