

Internship – Curriculum Developer and Educator

The Rachel Carson Homestead Association, Inc. (RCHA) a nonprofit organization in Springdale, PA (15144) is seeking an educator to research, compile, develop and deliver outdoor educational programs. This is an opportunity for a self-motivated intern to be under the guidance of professional university-level educators and focus on Rachel Carson's legacy. The intended audience for programs ranges from elementary school through high school levels. The candidate may be required to train volunteers and others who will assist in program delivery. While the content includes STEM material, the focus is on outdoor experiences and recreation reflecting Rachel Carson's "Sense of Wonder" to guide participants in the discovery of "the joy, excitement and mystery of the world we live in."

Minimum Qualifications: Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education or Natural Sciences, Environmental Science, Parks and Recreation or a related field; ideally with experience in outdoor education, camping, or nature activities.

- Exhibit a strong desire to teach and share knowledge and enthusiasm for the natural world
- Ability to develop and lead engaging and fun environmental programming
- Experience facilitating experiential learning activities
- Ability to teach a variety of age groups
- Willingness and ability to participate in nature activities with attendees, such as walks, games, and creative arts activities
- Ability and transportation to visit the RCH when on-site work is required.
- Availability for approximately 150 hours for six weeks beginning around June 25, 2018.
- PA child abuse clearance

Work environment and physical demands:

- The initial period will include reviewing and compiling existing educational materials, some of which are on site and others may be online. This would involve some time at the RCH in Springdale.
- When programs are delivered:
 - o Lift up to 50 pounds (size of a small child)
 - o Hear children that might be out of direct sight-line
 - o Have good vision (with corrective lenses) to provide oversight during outdoor play

Compensation: An hourly stipend may be offered, limited to 35 hours per week. No additional funds are available for transportation. Any academic credits must be arranged with an advisor. Schedule, terms and limits for planning, training, and delivery will be determined and final at time of acceptance of the offer.

To Apply: Please submit your resume, cover letter outlining interest and experience, and contact information for two professional references to Jeanne Cecil at jcecil@rachelcarsonhomestead.org

Application deadline June 21, 2018.

The RCHA values a racially, ethnically and culturally diverse work community and we strongly encourage applications from people of all backgrounds. *E.O.E.*

Must provide proof of or pass a PA & Federal Criminal Background Check and Obtain Child Clearances.