



Creating Informal Science and Natural Resources Lessons Internship The U. S. National Park Service, National Capital Region

Description: The position will be a University of Maryland-based, flexible, part-time, paid internship. The U.S. National Park Service (NPS) National Capital Region (NCR), Office of Natural Resources and Science (NRS) Urban Ecology Research Learning Alliance (UERLA) is seeking an upper level undergraduate student with interest in Natural Resources, Science Education, Park Science, National Parks, and/or related fields. Additionally, the intern should have access to a computer. The intern will design 8 science education lessons for NPS seasonal employees at Monocacy National Battlefield. The highly urbanized and rapidly growing region around NCR parks makes them increasingly important as a critical refugia for urban visitors and other species in a changing climate. We anticipate that the internship will begin in January of 2019 and continue through May of 2019. Students must be enrolled in a degree program for the duration of the internship.

The intern will work closely with the NPS Urban Ecology Research Learning Alliance's Science Education Coordinator. The intern will have the opportunity to present findings to NPS staff in the National Capital Region. This position will begin as soon as possible in January 2019 and continue until May 2019 depending on the student's interest and available funding. Flexible hours are part-time, not to exceed 20 hours/week, during the semester. The bulk of work is by telework with limited site visits to the park and UERLA in Washington, DC. Project mentors will include NPS staff in the UERLA, the Office of Natural Resources and Sciences, and at Monocacy National Battlefield.

About UERLA: UERLA is a National Park Service Research Learning Center that serves 16 parks in National Capital Region. We translate complex research results into readily understandable information, providing research, education, and technical assistance for parks. UERLA also provides science communication outreach to park managers and external audiences via websites, workshops, and publications. UERLA maintains research and education partnerships with universities, not-for-profit, education, and other federal agencies. The education activities of UERLA include providing training opportunities for NPS staff and partners, participating in science education programs, and building external partnerships that support science education in parks. Within the Natural Resources and Science Office, other science programs, such as botany, wildlife, geology, air resources, and inventory and monitoring, aquatic ecology work with the Urban Ecology Research Learning Alliance on interdisciplinary projects.

About MONO: Monocacy National Battlefield preserves and protects 1,647 acres of farmland, forest, and grasslands. In addition to the historic significance of the park, it also holds important natural value. Many plants and animals have found refuge within the park as the surrounding area continues to be developed.

How to Apply: If interested, provide a current resume with references, transcripts, and letter of interest electronically to Ann_Gallagher@nps.gov, Science Education Coordinator, Urban Ecology Research Learning Alliance, National Capital Region, National Park Service, 4598 MacArthur Blvd., NW, Washington, DC 20007, Cell: (202) 322-9888. Please use the subject line 'Park Science MONO'.

The deadline for applying is **1-4-2019 at 5 pm ET**. We expect to begin to interview candidates the week of **1-7-2019**.