

WATERSHED CONSERVATION INTERN (ONE POSITION AVAILABLE)

Ridgway, PA

Western Pennsylvania Conservancy is seeking one summer intern for the Watershed Conservation Program's Allegheny Regional Office, based in Ridgway, Elk County, PA. The intern will work under the supervision of assigned Watershed Conservation staff. This internship opportunity is supported by the Stackpole-Hall Foundation Summer Jobs Program and PHEAA.

Position Duration: Summer of 2016; One position is available for up to 480 total hours. Position is available May 09, 2016 to August 12, 2016. (start date flexible through June 30, 2016)

Location: 159 Main Street, Ridgway, PA 15845

Job Description: The intern will assist with implementing a variety of watershed restoration projects and aquatic surveys, in close coordination with Watershed Conservation staff. Duties will include assisting in the areas of:

- Water quality monitoring & assessment
- Watershed restoration
- Agricultural best management practices
- Volunteer training
- Project design, planning, and implementation
- Biological survey work focusing on macroinvertebrates, various fish species, hellbender salamanders, and freshwater mussels

Eligibility Requirements:

- Progress toward the completion of a degree or enrolled for the upcoming semester in biology, watershed science, stream ecology, environmental studies or a related field
- Be an **Elk County, PA resident**
- Must meet PHEAA financial eligibility requirement
- Be currently enrolled at least half-time (six credits) in a PHEAA-approved higher education institution in a program of study at least two years in length; High School Seniors are eligible as long as they will meet this requirement for the upcoming Fall 2016 Semester

Qualifications:

- Proficiency with all Microsoft Office applications, particularly Word and Excel
- Able to travel to various worksites and willing to work some evenings, weekends, and overnight trips as needed
- The ability to conduct field research in remote locations as part of a team is essential for this position
- Job requires the ability to traverse rugged terrain while carrying at least 50 pounds of sampling gear in a variety of weather conditions, and assist with

strenuous physical duties, including heavy lifting and using hand/power tools to complete construction activities

Pay: \$8 per hour

Application process: To apply send resume and cover letter to kmaland@paconserve.org and list **Watershed Intern** in the subject line. Applicants must also complete a PHEAA Work Study application available online through the [Stackpole-Hall Foundation Summer Jobs Program](#) website. Application deadline is open until the position is filled.