



**Greenburgh Nature Center
Ecology & Conservation Institute
Research and Stewardship Program**

Who we are:

The Greenburgh Nature Center is a 33-acre nature preserve in the heart of lower Westchester County in Scarsdale, New York.

Mission:

To ignite passion, curiosity and respect for our natural world.

Opportunity:

6-8 week paid Ecology & Conservation Internship(s) -Full time and Part time, multiple positions.

Purpose:

Greenburgh Nature Center facilitates the training and knowledge-building of young professionals to become future conservationists. ECI interns are typically undergraduates, learning conservation skills between semesters, or young professionals just outside of a formal education setting. With a focus on native plants, our internship program provides hands-on training in conservation skills, applied ecology, research & data collection and facilitates the interaction with conservation practitioners throughout the region.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

Skills Required

The selected candidate(s) must be able to work both independently with minimal supervision and cooperatively as a team with:

- Experience in biology, environmental science, botany, ecology, and/or natural resource management.
- Familiarity with or a desire to learn more about habitats and ecosystem restoration.
- Interest in native plants, including basic plant identification skills.
- Excellent organization and high level of attention to detail
- Excellent interpersonal communication skills
- Ability to problem-solve
- High degree of initiative
- Desire to learn and contribute

Physical Demands

- Ability to communicate with team individuals by virtual platforms, phone, email and in person.
- Working on the phone or computer for prolonged periods.
- Long hours in hot and humid conditions with possible bees, mosquitos and ticks.

- Requires considerable physical exertion and/or muscular strain.
- Work outdoors in variable weather conditions, on uneven terrain and under physically demanding circumstances.
- Use handheld GPS units to inventory trees, map habitats and monitor invasive species.
- Ability to use power tools including weed-whackers and saws following completion of appropriate training.
- Supervises no staff, but will help plan and direct volunteers

Benefits

- Exposure to recreation resource management
- Will learn about native plants, habitats, and techniques for managing invasive plant species.
- Opportunities to meet and learn from professionals in the field of conservation working in nonprofits and municipal agencies.
- Gain essential skills in volunteer coordination, non-profit program administration, and cooperative management of a municipal park.
- Opportunities to attend events, meetings, as well as online training and professional development.

Time, Location and Compensation

Position is 6-8 weeks in duration and is based at Greenburgh Nature Center in Scarsdale, NY.

Flexible schedule with up to 35 hours of work per week @ \$15/hour.

Greenburgh Nature Center is open to working with your college advisor regarding earning course credits.

Term

Between September 2021 -October 2021

Contact

To apply for this internship please submit a letter of interest and resume to

Tbrady@greenburghnaturecenter.org

Position(s) open until filled.

Greenburgh Nature Center encourages collaboration, flexibility, and fairness with all employees and volunteers to enable participation and contributions to their fullest potential. We are committed to being a diverse and inclusive organization, and recognize that diversity contributes to an effective and successful organizational culture and mission.

The Greenburgh Nature Center prohibits discrimination in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy, gender identity and/or expression), national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, age, or any other status protected by the laws and regulations in the locations where we operate.

Position is contingent on funding and public health related regulations. Final offers of employment are contingent upon the successful completion of a background check that may include employment history, national criminal background check, national sex offender registry search and a driving check.