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Forest Ecological Services (Hybrid) Internship - Ecologist
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 a graduate student or an upper-level undergraduate ecology student with an interest in Ecosystem Services, Human-Environment Interaction, Human Wellbeing and Resiliency, Forest Recreation, or similar. Additionally, the intern should have access to a computer.

The Forest Ecological Services (In-person & Virtual) Intern will evaluate NPS data and publications to identify potential sources of ecosystem services conferring human well-being. The intern will be partnered with a GIS intern to create and analyze maps and GIS layers.

Professional development experience for the intern will include networking with NPS social science, forestry, and climate science subject matter experts, and visitor services staff. The intern, as part of a team, will generate new insights into well-being conferred by public lands. Through a combination of literature searches, including visitor survey results, ecological resource data, and health/resilience evidence, the team will create well-being heat maps. A report of their work, a presentation to the resource staff in the National Capital Area, and a manuscript suitable for publication in *Park Science*.

We anticipate that the internship will begin September 30, 2023 and end May 1, 2024. Start and end dates are negotiable. Hours are full-time not to exceed 480 hours. The bulk of work is telework with occasional day trips to the regional national park unit(s) under consideration.

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 organizations, 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.

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 ‘Ecosystem Services Ecologist’.

The deadline for applying is **September 22, 2023 at 5 pm ET**. Interviews will be conducted starting on September 25, 2023.