Adventures Without Limits
Adventure Program Internship
Summer 2020

DESCRIPTION
Adventures Without Limits (AWL) actively breaks down barriers to the outdoors through adaptive and inclusive adventure programming. We aim to inspire personal growth, instill confidence, develop peer relationships, and enhance awareness of and connection to the natural environment. AWL runs hundreds of trips annually with more than 22 partner organizations. Our adventures include kayaking, whitewater rafting, paddleboarding, canoeing, hiking, rock climbing, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and overnight camping. AWL is based in Forest Grove, Oregon, approximately 25 miles west of Portland.

We have three (3) full-time Assistant Program Leader positions available. Internships a 12-week period, from June 2nd to August 23rd, 2020. These dates are somewhat negotiable. Students and recent graduates with degrees in Outdoor Leadership, Recreation Therapy, Public Health, or related fields, or interest in gaining experience in the outdoor field with diverse populations are encouraged to apply. However, we have had interns in the past fulfilling other degree requirements or those who simply want to gain experience in the outdoor field and experience working with a wide range of people including, but not limited to, people with disabilities, youth, at-risk youth and seniors.

A typical summer intern’s weekly schedule usually involves four days in the field and one day in the office or working in the gear warehouse. However, there is flexibility with that schedule depending on what you hope to gain from the internship.

RESPONSIBILITIES MAY INCLUDE
● Assisting full time staff in the implementation of programs
● Gaining a working knowledge of and upholding AWL’s mission, goals and policies
● Working independently on a project that will enhance AWL
● Assisting with outreach events
● Serving as an Assistant Trip Leader for AWL adventures
● Supporting people with disabilities, at-risk youth, seniors, low income communities, seniors, and people of diverse cultural backgrounds

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS
● Dedication to working with diverse populations
● Significant outdoor experience in at least two of the following: hiking, canoeing, whitewater rafting, inflatable kayaking, sea kayaking, rock-climbing, and teambuilding.
● Certification in First Aid and CPR
● Clean driving record for applicants over the age of 23
PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience working with individuals with disabilities
- Experience working with children
- There will be priority given to applicants with raft guiding and/or rock climbing experience
- Wilderness First Responder or EMT certification
- Lifeguard Training
- Whitewater guiding experience, Swiftwater Rescue Training or similar
- Fluency in both written and spoken Spanish

COVID-19 STATEMENT

Given the rapidly changing circumstances locally and globally due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Adventures Without Limits’ hiring needs may change just as rapidly. We encourage all interested and qualified parties to apply.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

Adventures Without Limits is an equal opportunity employer. Diversity and inclusion are core values at AWL, and applicants with diverse backgrounds, experiences, ability, and perspectives are highly encouraged to apply.

BENEFITS

This internship includes a weekly stipend and an optional housing package. Other benefits include instructor training in various outdoor activities, skill development and training opportunities, pro purchase deals on gear and clothing.

TO APPLY

Send a cover letter, resume, river and/or climbing log and references to carrie@awloutdoors.org and put the “Adventure Program Intern” in the subject line. The deadline to apply is 11:59 pm PST, April 15th, 2020.