

# **2021 FOREST STEWARDSHIP INTERN**

The St. Croix River Association (SCRA) is currently recruiting applicants for Forestry Stewardship internship during the summer of 2021. Positions will be 12-14 weeks, beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

The Riverway, one of the nation's first wild and scenic rivers, is a National Park consisting of 255 river miles that flow through some of the most scenic and least developed country in the Upper Midwest. Learn more at: <a href="www.nps.gov/sacn.">www.nps.gov/sacn.</a> SCRA (<a href="www.stcroixriverassociation.org">www.stcroixriverassociation.org</a>) is a nonprofit organization that protects, restores and celebrates the St. Croix River and its watershed, and serves as the official nonprofit partner of the National Park.

# **Description of Internship**

This position is with SCRA, and is supervised by the SCRA Forestry Program Coordinator. It provides recent graduates or students with practical work experience in the field of forest management and stewardship outreach. The intern will have the opportunity to learn and develop many technical, field and communication skills from a wide variety of partner agencies and organizations, all while being outside working throughout the St. Croix River watershed.

### **Major Duties**

- Distribute and assist in the creation of educational and outreach materials at community events and webinars.
- Assist in the creation of virtual programming and events, including creating content for My St.
   Croix Woods social media pages.
- Assist with the delivery of landowner and professional continuing education workshops and programs.
- Assist with management of the SCRA's landowner engagement databases.
- Assist with GIS analysis and creation of maps for landscape prioritization, management planning, and landowner outreach tracking.
- Assist with inventory and monitoring of terrestrial invasive species throughout the watershed.
- Assist with forest management and stewardship planning activities on public and private lands.
- Work with diverse partners, including consulting foresters, local, state and federal government agencies, and nonprofit organizations throughout the watershed.

## **Skills Required**

- Must be a US citizen or permanent resident of the United States.
- Recent graduate or college student with coursework in forestry, natural sciences, natural resources, or a related field. Other majors or courses of study may be considered.
- Ability to work well both independently and as part of a team, be detail-oriented and organized, and follow oral and written directions.

- Good oral and written communication skills. Ability to clearly communicate information with private landowners and the public.
- Some field experience preferred.
- Some experience with GIS and database management preferred.
- Valid state driver's license is required.
- Ability to lift and carry up to 25 pounds independently, and up to 50 pounds with assistance.
- Must be willing and able to work some weekends and evenings.

#### **Work Site and Conditions**

- Intern will be based at the St. Croix River Association in St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin.
- There will be travel throughout the upper St. Croix watershed in both Minnesota and Wisconsin.
- Work in the field is required and will involve some physical activity, including walking, hiking, standing for long periods of time, and occasionally paddling a kayak or canoe at a variety of locations.
- Schedules can be variable or on a week to week basis.

# **How to Apply**

Send all of the following information:

- 1. Cover letter. State the internship you are applying for and why are you interested in the internship and working with the St. Croix River Association.
- 2. Detailed resume, including work experience.
- 3. Three references.

#### **Email to**

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# **Position and Wage Details**

This is a temporary, full time internship ranging 32-40 hours weekly for a period of 12-14 weeks at a wage of \$14/hr.

# **Deadline**

<u>Applications will be reviewed & considered as they are received, so apply soon!</u> The cutoff date for considering applications will be Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.