



US Army Corps
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St. Paul District

Mississippi River Environmental Section Student Employment Information

2020 Application Dates: January 5 – January 19, 2021

To apply, go to: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/588597600>
or log in to usajobs.gov and search for STUDENT TRAINEE (NATURAL RESOURCES) in La
Crescent, MN. Follow the instructions there.

Description: The Corps of Engineers offers student internship positions designed to supplement a student's academic studies with meaningful work experience in the forest and other natural resource management fields of study. This program is designed to alternate work and school; the normal work season is from mid-May through August. It is U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' policy to apply principles of good environmental stewardship to the natural and cultural resources occurring on Corps' administered and/or managed lands and waters.

In the St. Paul District, the Mississippi River Environmental Section Office at La Crescent, MN manages these public resources on approximately 23,000 acres of land within the Upper Mississippi River 9-Foot Navigation Channel Project from Minneapolis, MN to Guttenberg, IA. La Crescent is located approximately 3 miles west of La Crosse, WI.

Students assist foresters and natural resource specialists in preparing forest resource inventories, stand prescription development, forest regeneration surveys, timber stand improvement projects, timber cruising, timber sales and public relations. Work may also include developing and presenting interpretive programs, aquatic plant surveys, prairie restoration, hazard tree analysis, emergency response, water quality monitoring, safety related programs, minor site maintenance, and basic administrative duties. Field work-sites are primarily accessed via small work boat. As needed, students may also perform tasks relevant to recreation activities at an assigned park site, including patrol of reservoir areas, conducting individual or group tours of recreation areas, or participating in recreational and water safety programs. Natural resource staff and rangers will mentor students through all aspects of their duties.

Temporary Pathways (Student) Internship

Overview

The Temporary Pathways Internship is designed to provide maximum flexibility to both the intern and the agency. Interns are hired into positions that are directly related to their academic program or career goals. Appointments are made for a period not to exceed (NTE) one year.

Pay

Interns are typically paid at the GS-4 level.

About the Pathways Internship Program

The purpose of the Pathways Internship Program is to provide the intern with exposure to public service, enhance educational experience, and support educational goals. The program is structured to give interns the opportunity to work in positions related to their academic/career goals. A written agreement is required between the agency and the intern. The participant completes assigned duties, tasks, and developmental activities specified in the agreement.

This position is not eligible for conversion to a career/career-conditional or term appointment and cannot be extended beyond the NTE date above.

Program Requirements

For these temporary GS-04 appointments, interns must meet the following criteria:

1. Completed two full academic years of post-high school study or have an associate's degree
2. Taking at least a half-time course load in an accredited school;
3. In good academic standing;
4. A U.S. citizen.

How to Find and Apply for Pathways Internship positions

St. Paul District forestry and natural resource internships offered through the La Crescent field office for 2021 will be open from January 5 – January 19, 2021. The positions will be advertised through USAJOBS website: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/588597600>. You can also find intern vacancies with the Corps of Engineers through USACE link at: www.usace.usajobs.gov.

Use the "Search" function in USAJOBS. Then type in "Intern". From there you can narrow down your search by agency, state, grade level, occupation etc.

Resume/Application procedures:

- (deleted because they don't have to build it through USAJobs Resume builder) Follow the application instructions provided within the "How to Apply" section of the announcement.
- Provide all required documents (e.g. resume, transcript(s)/enrollment verification if transcript does not reflect current enrollment)
You may submit a copy of your current transcripts when applying for an internship position. If selected, an official copy of your transcripts will be required.
- Provide supporting documents as applicable (e.g. DD-214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, SF15, Application for 10-Point Veterans' Preference: http://www.opm.gov/Forms/pdf_fill/SF15.pdf)

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For more information about student employment with the Federal Government, visit the Student Jobs website at www.usajobs.gov.