



## Student Employment Opportunities with the University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension and the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest

December 2022

### Program Overview

The Wisconsin Natural Resources Internship Program is a partnership between Extension's Natural Resources Institute and the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest. The Division of Extension's mission is to connect people with the University of Wisconsin system through statewide education and research programs. The mission of the US Forest Service is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations.

To learn more about Extension's Natural Resource Institute, visit: <https://extension.wisc.edu/natural-resources/>  
To learn more about the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, visit: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/cnnf/home>

This 12-week internship program was designed to provide a career-oriented introduction to the background, philosophy, concepts, and scope of natural resources management and a practical understanding of Forest Service policies and Extension's mission and role in statewide outreach and education. Interns will also receive on-the-job training and an introduction to exposure to a variety of natural resource disciplines and careers with the Forest Service and Extension.

### Internship Details

Dates: The 12-week program dates are June 5, 2023-August 25, 2023, though some interns may start their positions earlier based on their availability and on-site staffing needs. Interns will attend a weeklong group training at the beginning of the program at Trees for Tomorrow (<https://www.treesfortomorrow.com/>), a residential environmental education center in Eagle River, WI.

Rate of pay: All interns will receive hourly pay at \$18/hour. The expectation is that interns will work full-time (40 hours/week) for the 12-week program period.

Housing: Forest Service housing for interns may be available at some locations at the agency's quarters fee rate which is dependent on a variety of factors. Contact the supervisor listed below for more information on housing.

### Contact

For general questions about this internship program or application questions, please contact: Erin Burkett, Lake Superior Outreach Specialist, [erin.burkett@wisc.edu](mailto:erin.burkett@wisc.edu) or 715-685-2676. For specific questions about individual internships, contact the appropriate supervisor listed below.

## Current Opportunities

### Natural Resources Intern - Forestry Technician (Timber/Silviculture)

- General Duties: Interns will perform a variety of tasks involving timber and silviculture techniques and practices on the Lakewood-Laona District of Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, and participate in professional development training provided by Extension's Natural Resources Institute staff and partners.
- Link to apply: <https://studentjobs.wisc.edu/> (job no. 503882)
- Application deadline: Initial review of applications will begin February 1, 2023.
- Number of positions available by location:

Location	Number of positions	On-site housing availability
Lakewood, WI	4	No

- Contact: John Lampereur [John.lampereur@usda.gov](mailto:John.lampereur@usda.gov)

### Natural Resource Intern - Interdisciplinary Forest Assistant

- General Duties: Interns will support a variety of Forest programs including recreation, trails, non-native invasive species, silviculture, wildlife and fuels on the Great Divide District of Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest; and participate in professional development training provided by Extension's Natural Resources Institute staff and partners.
- Link to apply: <https://studentjobs.wisc.edu/> (job no. 503883)
- Application deadline: Initial review of applications will begin February 1, 2023.
- Number of positions available by location:

Location	Number of positions	On-site housing availability
Hayward, WI	3	Yes

- Contact: Gerred Carothers [william.g.carothers@usda.gov](mailto:william.g.carothers@usda.gov) and Ginger Molitor [Nicole.g.Molitor@usda.gov](mailto:Nicole.g.Molitor@usda.gov)

### Natural Resource Intern - Biological Science Technician (Fish/Wildlife)

- General Duties: Interns will perform a variety of tasks in support of Forest natural resources programs including non-native invasive species, wildlife, fisheries, ecology and botany; and participate in professional development training provided by Extension's Natural Resources Institute staff and partners.
- Link to apply: <https://studentjobs.wisc.edu/> (job no. 503884)
- Application deadline: Initial review of applications will begin February 1, 2023.
- Number of positions available by location:

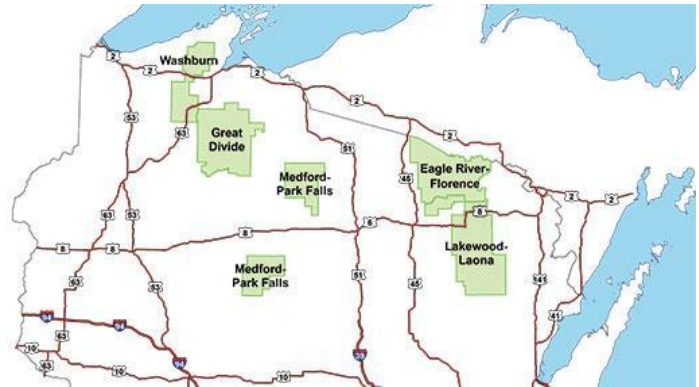
Location	Number of positions	On-site housing availability
Eagle River, WI	1	Yes
Lakewood, WI	2	No
Medford, WI	1	Yes
Rhineland, WI	1	No
Washburn, WI	1	No

- Contact by location:
  - o Eagle River: Scott Anderson [Scott.c.Anderson@usda.gov](mailto:Scott.c.Anderson@usda.gov)
  - o Lakewood: Todd Trapp [Todd.Trapp@usda.gov](mailto:Todd.Trapp@usda.gov)
  - o Medford: Ken Pemble [Kenneth.pemble@usda.gov](mailto:Kenneth.pemble@usda.gov)
  - o Rhineland: Joel Flory [Joel.Flory@usda.gov](mailto:Joel.Flory@usda.gov)
  - o Washburn: Brian Heeringa [Brian.Heeringa@usda.gov](mailto:Brian.Heeringa@usda.gov)

## About the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest

The Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest (<https://www.fs.usda.gov/cnnf>) includes over 1.5 million acres in northern Wisconsin. The Forest is managed for multiple uses including forestry, wildlife habitat, outdoor recreation, fisheries management, special forest products gathering, and wilderness and natural areas management.

The Forest is divided into 5 Ranger Districts: Washburn, Great Divide, Medford-Park Falls, Eagle River-Florence, and Lakewood-Laona. The Forest is part of the treaty-ceded areas for 11 American Indian tribes that retain hunting, fishing, and gathering rights on National Forest lands. National Forest lands are interspersed with over 2.5 million acres of publicly owned properties including state and county forests. This mix of public and private lands offers numerous opportunities for collaboration and partnerships.



## About Extension and the Natural Resources Institute

Extension is a Division of the University of Wisconsin-Madison dedicated to connecting people with the University (<https://extension.wisc.edu/>). Extension's six program areas include: Agriculture, Community



Development, Human Development & Relationships, Health & Well-Being, Positive Youth Development, and Natural Resources. Extension's local offices are based in Wisconsin counties throughout the state, and Extension staff work closely with local communities to provide educational opportunities where people live and work. Extension embodies the "Wisconsin Idea" which stipulates that education should influence people's lives beyond the boundaries of formal classrooms. The Natural Resources Institute staff work on land and water projects

and education initiatives across the state. Specific programs include: the Wisconsin Geological and Natural History Survey, Aquatic Invasive Species Outreach, Water Action Volunteers, the Lake Superior National Estuarine Research Reserve, Natural Resources Education Program, Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center, and the Wisconsin Master Naturalist Program.