



## 2023 Conservation Easement Monitoring Internships

The Harris Center for Conservation Education, a land trust and environmental education center founded in 1970, is located in picturesque Hancock Village in the heart of the Monadnock Region. We hold 130 conservation easements, protecting almost 13,500 acres in the Monadnock Highlands of southwestern New Hampshire.

The Harris Center is currently seeking qualified candidates for two internship positions in easement monitoring. Each position involves 250 hours of field/office work, the majority of which should be completed between May and the end of August 2023. Each position comes with a \$2,500 stipend and mileage.

### Specific tasks include:

- Easement monitoring requires a broad range of duties and skills, including landowner outreach, site visits (including over potentially rough terrain), and familiarity with GPS and ArcGIS mapping software. The intern will be required to prepare written reports and maps documenting the condition of properties relative to their conservation restrictions.
- Assisting with boundary maintenance on existing easement properties.
- Assisting with trail maintenance as required.

### Requirements:

- Transport to and from field sites in the Monadnock region, and weekly visits to the Harris Center in Hancock.
- The ability to navigate rough terrain during easement monitoring, often involving several hours to a full day of hiking in the field.
- Familiarity with GPS and ArcGIS is preferred, but training will be provided.
- Familiarity with the region's flora and fauna preferred.
- Ability to work independently in the office and in the field.

**Timeline:** The position offers great flexibility, and interns are welcome to work a schedule that meets their needs, with the understanding that the 250-hour internship must be completed before the beginning of the fall semester.

**For more information and to apply,** submit a resume and two references **by March 31, 2023** to Land Program Manager Eric Masterson at [masterson@harriscenter.org](mailto:masterson@harriscenter.org) or contact Eric with questions at (603) 525-3394 ext. 115.

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