

Forestry Internship: Summer 2024

About the Harris Center for Conservation Education

The Harris Center is a transformative force in the Monadnock Region, where we promote understanding and respect for our natural environment through education of all ages, direct protection and exemplary stewardship of the region's natural resources, conservation research, and programs that encourage active participation in the great outdoors. We are committed to ensuring that our education programs, trails, conserved lands, and conservation research projects are welcoming spaces for all, regardless of racial or religious background, gender identity, sexual orientation, economic means, or range of physical ability.

Position Overview

This internship will allow a forestry student to work on a diverse mix of forest management, conservation, and recreation projects at the Harris Center's headquarters in Hancock and throughout the Monadnock Region. The successful intern will gain experience in forest inventory, boundary identification and maintenance, conservation easement monitoring, trail maintenance, wildlife inventory, invasive plant management, and more. Training will be provided by Harris Center staff and other natural resource professionals, and there will be opportunities for collaborative work with Harris Center staff, volunteers, other interns, and Extension foresters.

Who Should Apply?

Undergraduate and graduate students interested in natural resource management; special consideration will be given to those enrolled in the University of New Hampshire forestry program and upper-level undergraduate students.

Requirements:

- Interest in natural resources management, conservation, and recreation planning
- Familiarity with tree identification and forest inventory techniques
- Flexibility, reliability, and enthusiasm for the natural world
- Strong communication skills
- Ability to work independently and with others in varied terrain and under challenging field conditions
- Reliable transportation (mileage beyond the commute to the Harris Center will be reimbursed)

Skillsets That Will Enhance an Application:

- Experience with trail maintenance
- Knowledge of the region's wildlife
- Experience with boundary location and maintenance
- Basic mapping skills, including familiarity with GPS and GIS
- Familiarity with invasive species identification and management

Timing and Salary: \$15/hour + mileage reimbursement, with work to take place from mid-late May through early-mid July. (There is some flexibility on the start date, end date, and weekly schedule.) This intern is expected to work up to 32 hours per week (total time not to exceed 225 hours).

How to Apply: To apply, submit a resume, cover letter, and copy of your unofficial transcript to Phil Brown at brown@harriscenter.org by Friday, March 22 at 5 p.m.