PAID INTERNSHIPS (3 positions)

National Park Service: Blue Ridge Parkway



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Agricultural Lease Monitoring: August 1 – October 26, 2018

The selected applicants will be responsible for carrying out assessments of Blue Ridge Parkway (BLRI) agricultural leased lands. To insure agricultural activities are not impacting natural and cultural resources, the interns will look for wetlands, streams, rare plants and animals, and other natural/cultural resources within leases to assess the overall condition and health of these resources and ensure that lease holders are implementing the conditions of their Agricultural Special Use Permits.

Duties may include patrolling sensitive areas, talking with visitors about the ecological importance of the site, and advising users about acceptable use. The selected applicants will enter data into appropriate BLRI databases, edit biological data on individual species, and perform quality checks on data in the system. Some data analysis and presentation of results may be required. Applicants must possess a valid driver license, a clean driving record, and be able to pass a criminal-background check.

The positon will be <u>full time</u> (40 hrs. per week) <u>The selected applicant must be available for the entire period</u>. Housing is <u>not</u> provided. The position will pay \$10.00-11.54 per hour (depending on the selected applicant's level of education). Applicants must be either current AppState undergraduate or graduate students or have graduated from AppState since (or during) May 2017. Applicants must be 35 years of age or younger at the start of the position in order to comply with the position's authorization under National Park Service Youth Programs Division. No paper applications will be accepted.

Apply online by visiting: https://appstate.peopleadmin.com/postings/search select the position announcement (under "Temporary" positions) and complete the online application instructions. Only complete applications will be reviewed.

Application deadline: May 7, 2018

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