PNNM-Loyola IES Internship Program

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A maximum of one student will be supported to conduct an internship at the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum. The student will work **10-15 hours per week for 12 weeks** at a rate of $1,000 for the 12 week term. If the student is an excellent intern for the PNNM, and desires to stay on longer in order to advance the project they are working on, they are eligible to apply for an extension of their internship for an additional semester or summer. The projects and/or case(s) on which the student will assist are determined by the PNNM, and are subject to change depending on their level of urgency and importance. The student is expected to develop a work schedule that allows the PNNM to know when they can rely on the student intern being present. The student can take the internship for Experiential Learning/Internship credit, and both the PNNM staff and the IES Associate Dean for Academics will be involved in drafting expectations for course credit and conducting assessments of the student’s progress.

**Application and Selection Process**
For each iteration of this program, students are asked to submit a 1-page resume which should include pertinent courses and experiences, and a 1-page statement of purpose which outlines what they hope to do with their career, and how this internship could help them advance their goals and enrich their Loyola experience. Students submit these materials to Ms. Rachel Leamon (rleamon@luc.edu) by 12 May, 2017. The applications will be reviewed by a committee of PNNM and IES faculty/staff, and one candidate will be selected. Students will be notified by 26 May, 2017.

**Summer 2017 PNNM-IES Internship opportunities:**
Conservation Biology/Animal Husbandry Intern: The intern will assist Living Collections staff working with and caring for numerous different animals, including the recovery project of the endangered Blanding’s turtles, and will also assist in occasional conservation fieldwork. The ideal candidate has an interest in caring for reptiles, amphibians, fish, birds, and invertebrates, with tasks including feeding, cleaning, and handling these animals. The intern should be able to deal with the unexpected and be able to adjust quickly, and should be able to work as a team member and an individual. Project mentor: Director of Living Collections Celeste Troon.