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PNNM-Loyola SES Internship Program Conservation Biology/Animal Husbandry Intern

PNNM-Loyola SES Internship Program Description:

One Conservation Biology/Animal Husbandry Internship will be available for the Spring 2021 semester at the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum. Internship term is Spring semester 2021, starting in January with a minimum of 10 hours per week at a rate of \$14 per hour for **up to a maximum of \$2,000 per semester**. 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 SES Associate Dean for Academic Affairs will be involved in drafting expectations for course credit and conducting assessments of the student's progress.

Students who were accepted for this internship in previous semesters are not eligible to apply.

IMPORTANT! Since this internship is funded by Loyola University and hours are logged in KRONOS, the total number of weekly hours cannot exceed 19.5 hours for all Loyola positions combined.

Application and Selection Process:

To be considered for this position, **students will 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. Please combine the resume and statement of purpose into one PDF document prior to submitting it.** Students submit these materials to Ms. Eniko Racz (eracz@luc.edu) by January 4th, 2021. The applications will be reviewed by a committee of ELPC and SES faculty/staff, and one candidate will be selected.

Conservation Biology/Animal Husbandry Intern

Project Supervisor: Animal Caretaker, Lily Barajas

PNNM Living Collections Manager: Lalainya Goldsberry

This internship primarily involves working with Blanding's turtles, smooth green snakes and wood frogs. The Chicago Academy of Sciences is currently involved in conservation projects with these three specSES. The position will involve learning and implementing best husbandry techniques for animals that are going to be released into the wild. This will include feeding, cleaning and handling. The intern will also work with other animals in the living collections as needed. This is an in-person, on-site internship at PNNM.

The ideal candidate must have a strong interest in conservation and working with reptiles and amphibians (previous experience with herptiles is preferred). They should be flexible, able to deal with the unexpected, and should be able to work well as a team member as well as to work independently.