

# NH EPSCoR INTERNSHIP: COMMUNITIES AND CITIZEN SCIENCE

## WHAT IS AN EPSCoR INTERNSHIP?

The EPSCoR Internship is an opportunity to work with staff from The Stewardship Network: New England, the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension, and New Hampshire Sea Grant on the following:

- Community engagement—research community groups, develop a volunteer recruitment plan, and create recruitment materials to build Stewardship Network: New England.
- Citizen Science Best Practices—research literature on citizen science and develop fact sheets for best practices (for researchers, conservation organizations, and agencies interested in working with volunteers).
- Citizen Science Field Work—work directly with volunteer citizen scientists to teach protocols, research volunteer motivation, communicate progress, and test volunteer networking tools (social media, digital registrations, etc.).



## WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Undergraduate students enrolled in a degree program from a New Hampshire institution, with preference given to students from 2-year community colleges interested in engaging citizens in scientific research.

Students must supply their own transportation to the UNH Sea Grant office in Lee, NH and be able to transport themselves to field sites as necessary (mileage reimbursable).

The University of New Hampshire and the National Science Foundation are particularly interested in increasing the numbers of women, underrepresented minorities (African Americans, Hispanics, American Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians or

Other Pacific Islanders), and persons with disabilities earning science, technology, engineering or mathematics degrees.

## REQUIREMENTS

- Ability to work independently, including connecting with community organizations, arranging meetings and interviews, and speaking professionally on the phone and on email.
- Ability to draft outreach materials in multiple media, including written, social media, and research/technical formats (e.g. research poster).
- Participation in EPSCoR project meetings.
- Contribute to and participant in spring EPSCoR research conference to present findings and research from internship.
- Participation in project evaluation activities.



## TIMING AND FUNDING

The internship period spans from early June to mid August, 2014 (negotiable). The successful candidate will receive a stipend of \$500 per week (based on a 40 hour work week), and mileage reimbursement for project-related travel requiring a personal vehicle.



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