

MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE &

PARKS INTERN PROGRAM

ANNOUNCEMENT

EMPLOYER: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

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DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT: Monday, January 4, 2021

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Monday, March 1, 2021 at 5:00 PM (postmarked)

****STUDENTS MUST BE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE****

POSITION TITLE: Mountain Lakes Summer Intern

OF POSITIONS: TWO

LOCATION(S): Billings- Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness

WORK START/END DATES: Approximately July 5 to 2021- August 20, 2021

HOURS/WEEK: 40 hours per week; 280 hours total

TRAINING/ORIENTATION DATES: July 2021 (upon hire/arrival)

COMPENSATION (PAY, PER DIEM, HOUSING, VEHICLE, ETC):

\$13/hr for 7 weeks, or a combination of wages and credit

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

Fisheries fieldworker in the Absaroka-Beartooth (A-B) Wilderness. Typical work week will be 4-days and 3 nights of backpacking into the A-B Wilderness to sample fisheries. Personnel will utilize gill nets and angling equipment to collect fish weights, lengths and aging structures. Will necropsy fish and assess gut contents, assess potential spawning habitat and provide information regarding access and camping. Interns may also assist with other regional fisheries projects.

SKILLS, ABILITIES, KNOWLEDGE NEEDED (EDUCATION; UNDERGRAD/GRAD LEVEL, SUGGESTED/REQUIRED MAJORS):

Must be currently enrolled in a college or university, preferably in Montana. Minimum GPA of 3.00 is required in a major such as Biology, Fish and Wildlife, Outdoor Recreation, or Environmental Science/Studies. **MUST BE ABLE TO HIKE AN AVERAGE OF 9 MILES PER DAY WITH A 60+ POUND**

BACKPACK. Knowledge of camping and backpacking would be a plus, as would the ability to read and interpret topographical maps. Angling experience is a plus.

APPLICATION MATERIALS/PROCEDURES (RESUME, COVER LETTER, REFERENCES, ETC.):

1. Brief resume with at least 2 references sent to contact person listed above
2. Cover Letter (include why you would like this position, how it relates to your goals, angling experience, and backcountry experience, including the number of days spent and locations of backpacking trips)
3. Recent academic transcript (unofficial)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: (; HOUSING OF ANY KIND PROVIDED OR POSSIBLY AVAILABLE I.E. TRAILER, FREE CAMP SPOT, BASEMENT APARTMENT, EXTRA SLEEPING ROOM, ETC.)

The rewards are great for the student who is capable of successfully filling this position, but the job is physically challenging. This is an excellent summer opportunity for those desiring college credits as an internship, individual problems project, or independent study. It also provides experience working for a state management agency and could help toward a career goal in fisheries or wildlife management. Camping and backpacking gear provided.