

## PAID INTERNSHIPS: ORIENTATION TO RESTORATION ECOLOGY FIELDWORK IN SOUTHERN WISCONSIN

Looking for summer field experience in habitat restoration and management? We're hiring a total of 11 paid interns for two programs administered by Madison Audubon and offered in cooperation with other local conservation groups. The programs provide outstanding opportunities to learn tools & techniques of native habitat management, plant identification, and principles of restoration ecology while helping restore beautiful and productive habitats in south-central Wisconsin. The internship also includes occasional guest visits and field trips. The program has continued each season under COVID-19 safety protocols. *Applicants will be considered for both programs below unless otherwise requested. Note the prerequisites and dates (in bold) differ between programs:* 

- Faville Grove: Six interns will work in Jefferson County at Faville Grove Sanctuary, Hope Lake Bog, and Snapper Prairie and Faville Prairie State Natural Areas. Undergraduates at any level in any field of study are encouraged to apply. Applicants must be continuing students or accepted for enrollment in Fall 2022 at a University of Wisconsin System institution. This program will run May 16-August 5.
- **Prairie Partners:** Five interns will work in Dane and Columbia counties at Pheasant Branch Conservancy, Lakeshore Nature Preserve, Goose Pond Sanctuary, Empire Prairies State Natural Area/Patrick Marsh Wildlife Area, and Cherokee Marsh. **Students who will have at least junior standing at any college or university majoring in natural sciences are encouraged to apply. This program will run May 23-August 12**.

**COMPENSATION:** This is a paid internship at a rate of \$15/hour and is a full-time commitment (40 hours per week for 12 weeks). Academic credit may be available through your educational institution.

**JOB DUTIES:** Invasive species control is a major focus, but work includes seed collection, biological monitoring, and general landscape restoration and maintenance. Use of hand tools, some power tools and herbicide required. Ability to work under a variety of conditions in a team setting is key to your success! Tasks involve outdoor work in multiple habitats and in all summer weather.

**OTHER:** Interns are responsible for travel, housing, and other living expenses. Interns must follow COVID safety guidelines (e.g., wear masks, socially distance) as needed. Interns may need access to their own transportation to comply with health safety restrictions. Sturdy work boots,

gloves and field clothing, plus sun, rain and insect protection are required. All tools will be provided. Proof of updated COVID-19 vaccination is required.

**HOW TO APPLY:** Application deadline to ensure consideration is Monday, February 7, 2022.

Submit your electronic application by attaching a **single pdf file** that includes a cover letter describing your interest in the position and a **detailed** resume. Begin the file name with your last name.

**Contact:** John Minnich, Madison Audubon jminnich@madisonaudubon.org or (608) 255-2473.

Prairie Partners include Friends of Lakeshore Nature Preserve, Friends of Cherokee Marsh, Friends of Pheasant Branch Conservancy, Groundswell Conservancy, and Madison Audubon. The Faville Grove program partners with UW-Arboretum.

Madison Audubon and its partners embrace diversity and equal opportunity. We are committed to a work environment that represents many backgrounds, perspectives, and skills.