



FALL RESTORATION INTERN

Overview

The Palouse–Clearwater Environmental Institute (PCEI) has worked to increase citizen involvement in decisions that affect our region’s environment since 1986. PCEI actively engages with community members to encourage sustainable living and environmental stewardship through experiential learning and service projects. Our motto is “Connecting people, place, and community.”

PCEI values diversity of all kinds, and is committed to building a diverse and inclusive workplace where we learn from each other. We are an equal opportunity employer and welcome people of all different backgrounds, experiences, abilities and perspectives. We seek to hire, develop and retain talented people from all backgrounds. Individuals from non-traditional backgrounds, historically marginalized, or underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged to apply.

PCEI employs a small team, based at the 26-acre Palouse Nature Center in Moscow, ID, to care for the site and manage education programs and restoration projects. Volunteers, AmeriCorps members, and interns are *integral* to achieving organizational outcomes. Therefore, we strive to provide interns with technical experience, training and mentorship that adds value to their professional portfolio. Interns commit to a minimum of 3 hours per week for a period of at least 2 months. Typically, interns work outdoors doing hands-on work in environmental stewardship, restoration, and education/outreach programs. They may also have the opportunity to train and lead volunteers.

Job/Intern Title

ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION INTERN (FALL)

Responsibilities

Visit restoration sites in the Palouse region with PCEI AmeriCorps Restoration Technicians at least once each week, for approximately 3-4 hours, to perform restoration activities.

- Install native plants
- Install plant protectors and flagging materials, as needed.

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- Assist with the construction of exclosures, Beaver Dam Analog Structures/Post Assisted Log Structures (BDAS/PALS), or other treatments, as needed.
- Assist with volunteer management, as needed
- Assist with equipment organization and maintenance
- Document, time, travel, and activities accomplished.

Learning Objectives

Learning & Experience

- Understand how watershed restoration projects are implemented and maintained in the Palouse region.
- Experience what it's like to implement landscape-scale plantings and restoration treatments, including native plant identification and irrigation, weed identification and management, plant protection, and repair/construction of exclosures and BDAs/PALS.
- Learn how PCEI cultivates environmental literacy and active stewardship in the Palouse-Clearwater region.

Growth & Mentorship

- Your internship supervisor will provide mentorship and regular, open feedback to help you learn and grow quickly.

Social Connection

- Connect with community volunteers, interns, and PCEI AmeriCorps members who share your interest in environmental enterprises.
- Gain access to PCEI's network of professionals working across the environmental restoration field.

Business Understanding

- Learn about life at a nonprofit organization.

Benefits

- Mileage reimbursement for individuals who can utilize a personal vehicle and work independently
- An internship supervisor who provides mentorship and training
- Skills applied in real-world scenarios; preparation for professional settings
- Network of peers and professionals in your field of interest
- Adaptable to college credit requirements

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Qualifications/Requirements

- Interest in environmental stewardship and restoration, native plants, and physical work.
- Willing to work outdoors in a variety of weather conditions.
- Able to traverse uneven terrain and carry up to 50 lbs.
- Reliable and willing to communicate
- Willing to be coached and to work with a team
- All who are interested are encouraged to apply, regardless of qualifications

How to Apply

- Applicants may apply through GivePulse (click the link www.givepulse.com/group/internships/242723).
- PCEI's Volunteer Coordinator will follow up within 2 weeks of application to discuss next steps.

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