



## ISLANDWOOD SUMMER PROGRAMS INTERN

**Overview:** Whether at our 255-acre outdoor learning center, or any of our off-site locations, IslandWood invites children and adults alike to discover a new way of seeing nature, themselves, and one another. In doing so, each person comes to understand their ability to change the world for the better. IslandWood operates traditional day camp programs for campers 4 year-olds through those entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Running from late June through mid-August, these experiences directly address IslandWood's mission of inspiring lifelong learning and environmental and community stewardship.

**Dates:** June 20-August 4, 2017 (optional extension through August 11)

### Position Summary:

Summer Programs Interns team with experienced field instructors to create, plan and provide a variety of educational programs for youth. Our programs are primarily day camps, with a couple specialty programs more focused on academics throughout the summer. All programs are united by a core framework that includes: embracing adventure, exploring concepts of stewardship, living and learning in community, and engaging with place.

Designed to mirror the experience of a camper, but over a longer period of time, this program provides valuable skills in teaching, behavior management, reflection, and community building. Begin the summer by getting to know our forest on Bainbridge Island, then gradually work up to creating your own week-long day camp experience with the assistance of a mentor.

Strong applicants will be creative, flexible and dependable undergraduate with a sincere interest in education, science, art, sustainability, or a related field. Skills in education can translate well to many fields, so a variety of majors are encouraged to apply. Experience working with children in the outdoors is preferred. A strong work ethic, excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to work well with a team will assure success in this position.

Summer Programs Interns will gain valuable skills in experiential education and access to a network of like-minded professionals. Housing for the duration of the program is provided, as well as a food stipend. Our programs are primarily day camps, so at no point will any staff live with campers. College credit may be applied for through your school.

### Qualifications:

- Undergraduate student working toward a four-year degree with a sincere interest in Environmental/Science/Multicultural Education, Environmental Science, or related field
- Some experience working with children and environmental education preferable
- Creative, flexible, and able to work closely with a Summer Programs Instructor
- Ability to work as a team member
- Strong work ethic, punctual, dependable, and ability to work long hours
- Excellent interpersonal skills with staff, children, and parents
- Must be able to comply with and maintain a smoke-free and drug-free work environment
- Current First Aid and CPR required by training start date (WFA desirable but not required)
- Must be at least 18 years-old

**Compensation:**

- Valuable skills in teaching, behavior management, reflection, and community building
- Housing for the duration of camps (afternoon of June 20 through noon on August 6, 2017)
- Food stipend at the beginning of the program
- Possible college credit approved by your school
- Valuable networking opportunities in the world of environmental & progressive education

**APPLICATIONS WILL BE REVIEWED MARCH 1-APRIL 1, 2017**

**POSITIONS ARE OFFERED ON A ROLLING BASIS UNTIL ALL ARE FILLED**

**HOW TO APPLY:**

Submit a cover letter, resume, internship application (below), including contact information for three current references to:

employment@islandwood.org

**or**

Search for IslandWood Summer Programs Intern

Attn: Community Education Manager

IslandWood

4450 Blakely Avenue NE

Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

*IslandWood welcomes applications from qualified individuals without regard to race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, age, disability, pregnancy, genetic information, marital status, amnesty, or status as a covered veteran in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local laws. We encourage diverse applicants because we believe that authentically reflecting the community we serve is critical to our ability to be culturally responsive.*

## SUMMER PROGRAMS INTERNSHIP APPLICATION

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

First Name:

Last Name:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Cell Phone:

Email:

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### ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Current Undergraduate

Graduate Student

Alumnus/Not in School

If an Undergraduate, which best represents your current standing:

Freshman

Sophomore

Junior

Senior

School Most Recently Attended:

Major:

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### INTERESTS & SKILLS (CHECK AS MANY AS APPLY):

Early Childhood Education

Elementary Education

Middle/High School Education

Wildlife Biology/Conservation

Visual Arts

Outdoor/Survival Skills

Marine Science

Performing Arts

Leadership Development

Physical Science

Storytelling

Gardening/Food

Environmental/Earth Science

Writing

Social Justice

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. FEEL FREE TO USE ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NEEDED.**

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How did you learn about this internship?

Why do you want to intern with IslandWood's Summer Camps?

Please describe any specific training, skills or formal education that makes you a good fit for this position:

Please describe any paid or volunteer experiences that make you a good fit for this position:

What do you hope to receive from this experience?

Are there specific internship requirements from your school? If so, what are they?

Can you perform the essential functions of the job with or without reasonable accommodation?

*You will be outside and doing moderate hiking for much of the day, as well as being responsible for the safety and comfort of 10-12 campers.*

**REFERENCES:**

Please list references of three (3) non-relatives who are qualified to evaluate your qualifications for this internship.

Name:	Address:	Relationship to Applicant (e.g. teacher, employer, personal, etc.)	Telephone No.

I authorize the references listed above to give IslandWood any and all information concerning my previous employment and any pertinent information they may have, personal or otherwise, and release all parties from all liability for any damage that may result from furnishing same to you.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_