



## **Paid Education Intern Position Announcement**

**Part time, Seasonal Intern (for credit/paid).** 8-16 hours per week, March 1, 2019 through May 31, 2019. Option to extend internship through August 2019.

**Reports To:** School Programs Coordinator

**The Denver Audubon is currently seeking creative, highly motivated and energetic individuals to work collaboratively on our education programs as part of a team of talented and experienced staff and volunteers. This is an opportunity to learn and gain experience in teaching informal science education programs.**

### **Principal Responsibilities**

- Learn Denver Audubon curricula (*Migration Madness, Migration Mapping, Bird Banding, Beaver Habitat Investigation, Pond Exploration, Birds & Conservation, Night Ninjas*).
- Instruct hands-on, creative, natural science classes for groups at the Audubon Center at Chatfield.
- Assist with hands-on, creative, natural science classes for schools in the Denver metro area.
- Assist in set-up and cleanup of classrooms/center and other areas for programs.
- Assist with Denver Audubon public and fundraising events (Spring Event, Comcast Cares Day, and Mother's Day Bird Banding Breakfast).
- Teach one-two days per week during the spring season of Denver Audubon's field trips, which run March – May 31, 2019.
- Skillfully and enthusiastically instruct one of the three Bird Banding stations each day you are scheduled to teach.
- Participate in and learn to lead the introduction and conclusion of programs.
- Collaborate with education team to develop, enhance and implement curricula or programs.
- Encourage stewardship in students through enthusiasm, knowledge, and passion for birds, other wildlife and their habitats.
- Act as a role model for all students, illustrating appropriate behavior and environmental ethics and encourage a joyful, safe, meaningful outdoor experience for students.

### **Minimum Qualifications**

- Must be 18 or older
- Pursuing or holding a degree in education, environmental sciences, biology, geology, or related fields
- Experience in teaching children at schools and/or for other educational organizations.
- Strong communication skills with adults and children.
- Computer proficiency - word processing, spreadsheets and databases.
- Personal vehicle to travel to schools, office and nature center.

- Ability to work weekday mornings and/or early afternoons.

#### **Desired Behavioral Traits and Attitudes**

- Team player, fun, outgoing, passionate, organized, creative, resourceful, critical thinker, results-oriented, and self-motivated.
- Experience with or strong interest in teaching environmental education in informal settings (nature centers, camps, zoos, museums etc.)
- Punctual for all internship shifts.
- Accountable and communicative.
- Passionate about Denver Audubon's mission.

#### **Special Requirements:**

- Must commit to interning at least 1 day/week for pre-trip and field trip season (Mon.-Fri. from March 1—May 31).
- Programs may start as early as 8:00am and end as late as 4pm. You will be required to help with set-up and cleanup on the day(s) you are scheduled to intern.
- Must attend intern trainings/observations, and weekly meetings etc. throughout internship as required by supervisor.
- Must be available for bird banding training on April 5, 2019 from 8:45am - 2:30pm.
- Strongly encouraged to attend as many weekend naturalists training classes as possible to learn about the ecology of the Front Range. The classes are held 1x per month on a Saturday. A schedule of the courses/dates/times will be given to you if you are selected for the internship.

#### **Benefits**

- Audubon Naturalist Training--includes natural history classes on the ecology of the Chatfield Basin. The classes are held 1x per month on a Saturday. A schedule of the courses/dates/times will be given to you if you are selected for the internship.
- Supervised mentorship in teaching environmental education.
- Potential to learn to develop curriculum or to revise existing curriculum that meets the CAS.
- Can tailor your internship for your professional needs.
- Course credit towards your degree.
- Pay commensurate with experience.

#### **Interested applicants should send/email cover letter and resume to:**

Denver Audubon

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**Deadline:** February 16, 2019

**Anticipated Start Date:** March 1, 2019