

Job Title: Seasonal Conservation Research and Stewardship Intern

Job Description: The Linda Loring Nature Foundation (www.llnf.org) seeks a motivated, self-reliant individual with an interest in research, stewardship, and conservation. This is primarily a field-based position working on a variety of projects spanning conservation research, stewardship, and related outreach with training and mentorship from senior staff. The intern will have the opportunity to gain experience in rare species conservation (including plants and animals), science communication, climate change-related research, land stewardship, and applied ecological monitoring – working on a variety of projects.

Responsibilities:

- Scientific data collection;
- Inventory state-listed plant species;
- Assist in avian monitoring projects;
- Assist with nature walks on the property for visitors and/or offsite bird walks;
- Science communication via writing for the general public and some social media posts;
- Inventory, monitoring, and management of non-native invasive plant species;
- Data entry, quality control, and proof-reading;
- Assist with some property management and stewardship;
- Assist with and learn proper wildlife tracking/handling/trapping/banding techniques including but not limited to turtles and birds;
- Assist with water quality monitoring using YSI and weekly Harmful Algal Bloom reports;
- Record and submit data to nationwide networks, such as National Phenology Network and CoCoRaHs.

Training and guidance will be given for all tasks. There also may be opportunities for independent projects.

Desired Qualifications: B.S. or B.A. (or working towards such a degree) in any field. Strong observational, critical thinking, and organizational skills. The ability to accurately collect data and record field notes. Individuals-must be able to work both independently and as a member of a team. A familiarity with or a willingness to learn basic botanical and wildlife monitoring and use of GPS units in the field. Interest in citizen science and communicating science to a broad audience. Knowledge of Nantucket's unique ecosystems is helpful, but not required.

Dates/Hours: This is a full-time, temporary position beginning in mid-May and ending in late August/September; exact dates are somewhat flexible. Hours are generally Monday through Friday, averaging seven-eight hours per day. Weekends or occasional evenings may be necessary for specific projects/programs.

Wages/Benefits: Hourly wage is \$20-\$22/hr. **Housing may be provided if needed.** Medical and unemployment insurance and paid sick days are *not* available to seasonal employees.

Location: The Linda Loring Nature Foundation is located on Nantucket Island, MA, \sim 33 miles south of Cape Cod, in the Atlantic Ocean. For more information on our mission as well as education and research projects, please see the LLNF website (www.llnf.org).

Application: Application deadline is Friday February 10th, 2023 by 5pm. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

For a complete application, please submit **ONE DOCUMENT** which includes a cover letter describing your interest in the position, resume, and contact information for three professional references.

All application materials must be submitted via email to Dr. Sarah Bois at: stbois@llnf.org

The Linda Loring Nature Foundation is an equal opportunity employer. We are committed to building teams that represents a variety of backgrounds, perspectives, and skills. The more inclusive we are, the better our work will be. Research suggests that qualified women, Black, Indigenous, and Persons of Color (BIPOC) may self-select out of opportunities if they don't meet 100% of the job requirements. We encourage individuals who believe they have the skills necessary to thrive to apply for this role.

