

Interested in gaining real world experience while working to protect Maine lakes?



2010 Summer Internship Opportunities

Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program

Make a difference: Learn a lot!

Interns will work closely with Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program (VLMP) staff and volunteers as well as with Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) biologists. Learning opportunities as a VLMP intern are potentially extensive. All interns attend special workshops that are designed to train volunteers to measure various aspects of lake water quality, and to identify and take preventive measures against invasive aquatic plants. Interns can become certified to collect lake water quality data in Maine. There will also be opportunities to work in the field with the VLMP & Maine Department of Environmental Protection, assisting with special studies. As a staff member of VLMP's small non-profit organization, interns may also assist with aspects of program administration, including scheduling, materials preparation and budget management.

Some 2010 Projects

Training Workshops

- Assist in Conducting Volunteer Training Workshops
- Collect and Organize Plant Specimens
- Prepare Workshop Materials

VLMP Lake Monitoring Conference

- Coordinate Volunteer Award Ceremony, and Registration
- Assist with Planning

Baseline water quality monitoring

- Visit Lakes Statewide as a VLMP/DEP Team Member

Invasive Species Monitoring and Management

- Assist Teams in Surveys for Invasive Plants
- Outreach Projects about Invasive Plants



All interns should be prepared to assist the permanent staff with routine administrative tasks, such as preparing volunteer information materials and data entry. These tasks are necessary for the successful training and education of our volunteers in all areas of the program.

There will be two internship positions available. Both will be paid hourly and will include some weekend work.

How to apply:

Contact the VLMP with information concerning your availability, area of interest, and how you learned about the program. Inquiries are welcomed.

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