

# ISLANDWOOD BRIGHTWATER SUMMER CAMP INTERN

**Overview:** An IslandWood internship provides a wonderful opportunity to be a part of an exciting educational environment. IslandWood was founded on a unique mission: to provide exceptional learning experiences and to inspire lifelong environmental and community stewardship. In the summers, we run 4 weeks of summer camps for kids from K-6<sup>th</sup> grades at the Brightwater Center, located in Woodinville, WA. As a Summer Camp Intern, you will work with a Summer Camp Instructor to provide hands-on, field-based environmental education programs at the Brightwater Center in Woodinville.

**Dates:** June 30 - August 4, 2014 (Includes 3 days of training, 1 day of clean-up / debrief and no work on July  $3^{rd}$  and  $4^{th}$ )

### Responsibilities:

Summer Camp Interns team with experienced field instructors to create, plan, and provide a variety of educational programs for youth. Thematic programs include half-day and full-day experiences. This position is designed to guide interns in developing valuable teaching skills and knowledge as they work closely with Summer Camp Instructors.

Strong applicants will be creative, flexible, and dependable undergraduates working towards a degree or with a sincere interest in environmental science, multicultural education, environmental education, or related field. Experience working with children and environmental education 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 Camp Interns will gain valuable skills in experiential education. College credit may be applied for through your school. Each intern will also be assigned to an instructor mentor who will serve as a professional resource throughout the summer.

#### 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 Camp Instructor
- Ability to work as a team member
- Strong work ethic, punctual, dependable, 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
- Must pass child safety screening.

### **Compensation:**

- Gain valuable skills in experiential education by observing Lead Instructors as well as teaching your own lessons
- Possible college credit approved by your school
- Valuable networking opportunities in the world of environmental & progressive education
- Letter of Recommendation following a successful completion of the internship upon request

Application Deadline: March 31, 2014

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis, with hiring offers made until all positions are filled.

# To Apply:

Submit an intern application, resume, letter of interest, and 3 references to: **Derek Jones, M Ed. Brightwater Program Coordinator derekj@islandwood.org** 

or

Derek Jones IslandWood at Brightwater Center 22509 State Route 9 SE Woodinville, WA 98072

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# **SUMMER CAMP INTERNSHIP APPLICATION**

## **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

| First Name:                                       | Last Name:              |                                       |
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| Mailing Address:                                  |                         |                                       |
| City:   | State:                  | Zip Code:                             |
|   | Cell Phone:             |                                       |
| Email:  |                         |                                       |
| How would you prefer to be contacted              | d? (circle one) Phone E | mail Mail                             |
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| ACADEMIC INFORMATION (circle one)                 |                         |                                       |
| Current Undergraduate Current G                   | raduate Student Alur    | nnus/Not in School                    |
| School Most Recently Attended:                    |                         |                                       |
| Major:  |                         |                                       |
| Expected Graduation Date:                         |                         |                                       |
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| INTERESTS & SKILLS (CHECK AS MANY AS              | S APPLY):               |                                       |
| <ul> <li>Early Childhood Education</li> </ul>     | ☐ Elementary Education  | ☐ Middle School Education             |
| <ul> <li>Wildlife Biology/Conservation</li> </ul> | ☐ Visual Arts           | ☐ Outdoor/Survival Skills             |
| □ Natural History/Nature                          | ☐ Performing Arts       | <ul><li>Leadership Training</li></ul> |
| <ul><li>Physical Science</li></ul>                | ☐ Storytelling          | ☐ Gardening/Food Issues               |
| ☐ Environmental/Earth Science                     | •                       | ☐ Sustainability                      |
| Other (please list):                              |                         |                                       |

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

| How did you learn about this internship?  |
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| Why do you want to intern with IslandWood's Summer Camps at the Brightwater Center?   |
| 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 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) |
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