



College of the Environment  
School of Environmental & Forest Sciences

## Job Description

### Research Assistant Internships

The Rare Plant Care and Conservation at the University of Washington Botanic Gardens is hiring up to three interns to work on projects related to conservation of rare native plants in Washington State. The paid positions will entail extensive field work in central and eastern Washington. Work will include a variety of tasks such as monitoring rare plant populations, conducting vegetation and habitat surveys, surveying for invasive species, seed collecting for *ex situ* conservation, and propagating rare plants for reintroductions. The internships are funded by grants to support plant conservation and habitat management projects on Bureau of Land Management and US Forest Service lands.

### Qualifications:

- B.S. in biology, environmental sciences, or related field
- Plant identification skills, a familiarity with the flora of Washington is desirable
- Ability to work long hours in variable weather, including heat, and cold, wet conditions
- Good physical condition, including the ability to hike up to 6 miles carrying a 30-pound pack in a day and work in a bent-over/kneeling/sitting position for long periods of time.
- Valid driver's license
- Detail-oriented
- Able to work cooperatively with others

**Compensation:** \$15.00/hour plus reimbursement for food and lodging for field work requiring overnight trips. Housing in Seattle is not provided.

**Duration:** Internships will average 20 hours per week, with some weeks requiring up to 40 hours of time to accommodate field work (including periods of time in May, June and July). Internships will span between 2 to 6 months starting in May 2015.

**Location:** Intern positions will be based out of the UW Botanic Gardens' Center for Urban Horticulture, and field work will occur in central and eastern Washington, near Wenatchee, Tri-cities, and other locations. Travel costs will be reimbursed.

**To apply,** send the following materials electronically to Wendy Gible at the address below. Include a letter of interest that includes specific dates of your availability, your resume, transcripts (unofficial), and contact information for three references knowledgeable about your work and relevant experience.

**Applications will be reviewed beginning April 6, 2015 until the positions are filled. For more information,** please contact Wendy Gible, University of Washington Botanic Gardens, Box 354115, Seattle WA 98195 ([wjgible@uw.edu](mailto:wjgible@uw.edu) ; P: 206-897-1646)

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