

**Job Title:** Conservation Intern

**Hours:** 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday - Friday

**Duration:** 15 Weeks **Pay**: \$10.00/Hour

Preservation Parks of Delaware County offers an excellent opportunity to gain valuable work experience related to natural resources management within the park district.

The internship will focus on habitat restoration and monitoring within the park system. Interns will work with park staff to complete a variety of projects including invasive plant management, native plant establishment, and biotic surveys.

## **Responsibilities:**

- Conduct invasive plant management in former agricultural fields, woodlands, and wetlands.
- Assist with habitat restoration projects related to forests, wetlands, streams, and prairies.
- Assist with annual inventories and surveys.
- Assist with maintaining flora and fauna species lists for park district properties.
- Assist with volunteer projects and public programs.

## **Minimum Requirements**:

- Ability to operate a broad spectrum of vehicles and equipment including trucks, ATVs, backpack sprayers, chainsaws.
- Ability to work long hours, under extreme weather conditions in rugged terrain.
- Ability to work in the outdoors where standing water, mosquitoes, ticks, snakes and poison ivy are common.
- Ability to work with minimum supervision.
- Ability to identify common flora and fauna, including invasive plant species.
- Experience in the use of a technical plant key.
- Valid Ohio driver's license.
- Coursework related to natural resources, ecology, or botany.

## **Benefits:**

- Undergraduate or graduate students may receive college credit in this position.
- Seasonal employees participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System.

**Contact:** Tony Benishek @ 740-524-8600 ext. 7, careers@preservationparks.com