



Resource Education Internships at Olympic National Park

Area Description

Olympic National Park is located in the northwest corner of Washington state. This nearly one million-acre park encompasses incredible diversity—from wilderness coast and temperate rainforest to glacier-capped peaks. Resource Education Internships are available year-round and in several park locations.

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The intern will work as an entry-level resource education ranger. Interns work both alongside experienced park rangers and independently. Duties could include staffing visitor centers, preparing and presenting interpretive programs, and working with school groups. Interns also participate in the daily behind-the-scene projects which keep an interpretive program going. Winter interns conduct interpretive walks on snowshoes at Hurricane Ridge. Training is provided.

Internship Dates

Summer internships run from early June through Labor Day, fall internships from September to early December, winter internships from early December through March, and spring internship from mid-March to early June.



Established in 1938, Olympic National Park provides outstanding opportunities for wilderness recreation, research, introspection and inspiration.

Benefits

A stipend, training and housing are provided. College credit may be available. Internship experience is often helpful when applying for paid ranger positions in the future.

Qualifications

Applicants should have good communication skills, be enthusiastic and outgoing, and enjoy learning and sharing with others. Applicants are usually upper level undergraduate students or recent graduates of a natural science, environmental education, or park management program. People in other fields with interest or experience in natural history, education, or the outdoors will also be considered. Some knowledge of ecological processes and natural history is desirable. The ability to work both independently and with people is essential.

Application Deadlines

Applications are received year-round and selections are made upon receipt. As a general guideline, applications should be received by the following dates:

Spring Internship – January 15
Summer Internship – March 15
Fall Internship – August 15
Winter Internship – October 15

How to Apply

Interested applicants over 18 can apply online at: Volunteer.gov

