

## Wildlife Education Internship Position Description

**Title:** Wildlife Education Intern

**Overview:** During the summers at the Discovery Center, the Wildlife Education Intern is responsible for helping deliver a variety of community outdoor education programs to members and seasonal guests. Specifically you will help lead bird surveys, wolf howling surveys, bat monitoring surveys, day camp programs, citizen monitoring activities, and the EcoAdventures program (EE program for 11-14 year olds). In addition, this position will assist in greeting and guiding visitors, leading on- and off-site adventures for all ages (hikes, canoe/kayak trips) and a variety of other programs.

**Hours:** Approximately 40 hours/ week. Work week flexible and includes weekends on a rotating schedule.

**Length of Service:** 12 weeks, approximately (May 29 – August 24)

**Compensation:** \$800 monthly salary + free shared offsite intern housing

### Requirements:

- **General:** Excellent oral and written communication skills. Strong organizational skills. A cheerful, positive attitude. Reliable, self-motivated and independent. Basic office skills, data entry, and record keeping. CPR/ First Aid Certification (Lifeguard Certification strongly preferred). Valid driver's license.
- **Wildlife Education:** Major in ornithology, wildlife biology, conservation biology, environmental education, natural resources, or a closely related field. Experience leading and/or teaching groups of all ages. Basic knowledge of wildlife principles including biology, conservation, and sampling methods. Birding experience is highly desired.

### Responsibilities and Opportunities:

This position is responsible for, and will gain experience in, the following four main areas:

1. **Delivering wildlife programming to members and the community.**  
Assist and lead community adult programs pertaining to the northwoods wildlife resources.
2. **Conduct birding and wildlife surveys.**  
Conduct citizen-based monitoring surveys including wolf howlings, bat surveys, and bird surveys.
3. **Develop and deliver environmental education programming for the Nature Adventurers program.**  
Help coordinate and schedule outings for the EcoAdventurers program. Will include offsite adventures and occasional overnight programs. Work with other program staff to develop comprehensive environmental education experience for all ages.
4. **Participate as part of the dedicated Education Team at the Discovery Center.**  
Work a flexible week including evenings and weekends depending on classes and schedule. Assist in programs, special events, and community outreach. Communicate needs to and be willing to help other staff members when needed.

**You will gain experience in:** Network development, community engagement, citizen-based science, volunteer training and supervision, data entry, record Keeping, marketing.

Individuals interested in this position should send a letter of interest, résumé, and three references by March 1, 2012 to:

P.O. Box 237, Manitowish Waters, WI 54545

Email applications to: [contact@discoverycenter.net](mailto:contact@discoverycenter.net)

(please include "Wildlife Education Internship" in title)

*The North Lakeland Discovery Center is a premier not-for-profit environmental education center located in Wisconsin's scenic Northwoods. Our 63-acre site is situated among forestland, wetlands, and wilderness lakes and rivers within the 240,000-acre North Highlands State Forest. The Discovery Center's activities and experiences promote stewardship of natural and cultural resources, and connect people to nature through education, recreation and research. Our events, facilities, recreation opportunities and engaging outdoor programs encourage lifelong learning and create a sense of community, well-being and fun!*