POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

The Connecticut Audubon Society invites applicants for a seasonal position at 14-30 hours per week beginning mid-March to mid-July depending on schedule. Some flexibility allowed for qualified students.

Founded in 1898, the Connecticut Audubon Society operates nature facilities in Fairfield, Milford, Glastonbury, Pomfret, Hampton, and Sherman, a center in Old Lyme, and an EcoTravel office in Essex.

The successful candidate will monitor and manage potential nesting Piping Plovers at the newly-created west beach expansion at Hammonasset State Park in Madison. Duties will include monitoring the beach expansion for nesting Piping Plovers (14 hours) and protecting potential active nest sites with symbolic fencing (posts and twine) and signs (30 hours).

The monitor will create and maintain a log of all activities and record of all bird species observed on the beach. Additional duties may be assigned.

Preferred applicants will have previous experience working with beach nesting shorebirds and other waterbirds. Weekend and holiday work will be required. This is a great opportunity to work with protected waterbirds in a unique estuarine ecosystem. Salary range is $12.50 per hour depending on experience, 20 hours/week, March 15 through July 15. No benefits.

The successful applicant will report to the Senior Director of Science and Conservation.

Basic qualifications include: coursework in active pursuit of a degree in biology, wildlife management, or related field; experience with waterbird and shorebird identification and/or monitoring for the U.S. East Coast; applicant must have valid driver's license and safe driving record and undergo criminal background check as per Audubon’s policy; experience and ability to communicate clearly via written, spoken and graphical means.

Physical Requirements: (e.g., lifting, reaching, climb, push/pull, etc.) Working in physically strenuous settings, in variable weather conditions.

Send cover letter and resume to: mbull@ctaudubon.org or: Connecticut Audubon Society, Hammonasset Technician Position, 314 Unquowa Rd., Fairfield, CT 06824.

The Connecticut Audubon Society is an Equal Opportunity employer committed to a diverse Board, staff and membership body. Applicants from diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.
POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

The Connecticut Audubon Society invites applicants for a seasonal position at 30 hours per week beginning mid-April to mid-May through Labor Day depending on schedule. Some flexibility allowed for qualified students.

Founded in 1898, the Connecticut Audubon Society operates nature facilities in Fairfield, Milford, Glastonbury, Pomfret, Hampton, and Sherman, a center in Old Lyme, and an EcoTravel office in Essex.

The successful candidate will assist project coordinator and conservation scientists with monitoring, research, and management activities for nesting shorebirds on the coast of Connecticut. Stewardship, inventory and monitoring activities include: Posting and patrolling bird colonies on beaches and offshore islands, educating island and beach visitors about beach nesting birds and migratory shorebirds, and maintaining signage, recruiting, training and organizing volunteers for coastal waterbird inventory efforts, monitoring of nesting waterbirds for productivity and assisting DEEP and USFWS staff in stewardship activities of Piping Plovers as needed. Additional duties may be assigned.

Preferred applicants will have previous experience working with beach nesting shorebirds and other waterbirds. Weekend and holiday work will be required. This is a great opportunity to work with several species of shorebirds and waterbirds in a unique estuarine ecosystem. Salary range is $12.50 per hour depending on experience, 35 hours/week, May 1st through September 4th. No benefits. Assistance with housing and/or low cost may be available.

Basic qualifications include: coursework in active pursuit of a degree in biology, wildlife management, or related field; experience with waterbird and shorebird identification and/or monitoring for the U.S. East Coast; experience working with Microsoft Office Suite software; experience with GPS units and GIS software; must have valid driver's license and safe driving record and undergo criminal background check as per Audubon’s policy; experience and ability to communicate clearly via written, spoken and graphical means; ability to assist in operating and trailering boats independently up to 20 feet in length is a bonus.

Physical Requirements: (e.g., lifting, reaching, climb, push/pull, etc.) Working in physically strenuous settings, in variable weather conditions, at remote locations, and on difficult and hazardous terrain.

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The mission of Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut is to “Inspire the appreciation and enjoyment of nature, through education and conservation, fostering a healthy environment and an improved quality of life”.

Environmental Learning Centers of CT (ELCCT) offers a diversity of hands-on experiential programs using a variety of resources and facilities. Our programs are offered at the Harry C. Barnes Memorial Nature Center, Indian Rock Nature Preserve, and in the schools of Connecticut. Last year, we provided our environmental educational programs to over 25,000 children and families from over 70 Connecticut communities.

In addition to our education programs, ELCCT also serves as a land trust and has protected over 730 acres of land in Bristol and Burlington, Connecticut.

**Education Intern**

This position is designed to provide practical teaching experience in the field of environmental education to groups of primarily school-age children. School-age programs are held at our Indian Rock Nature Preserve and topics include First American, Farm Life and Nature experiences. A collection of programs are also brought into the classroom. Classes range from K-12, with a focus on Pre-K through 5th with programming that meets CT Science standards.

This education internship is a challenging and highly rewarding experience for someone considering and/or pursuing a career in environmental education.

Education interns will gain:

- Experience teaching and public speaking
- Opportunity to make connections with environmental professionals
- Learn the Natural history of Central Connecticut and regional history
- Independent planning and execution of specific tasks under the guidance of the ELCCT staff
- Animal Husbandry of domestic farm animals, native CT reptiles, amphibians and birds of prey and some exotic species, as needed

**Dates of Employment:**
Start and end dates are flexible but the Spring/Summer position generally begins mid-March and ends mid-June. The Summer/Fall position generally beings mid-August and ends mid-November. School-age educational programs run Monday–Friday during normal business hours.

**Duties and Responsibilities:**
Interns will learn how to and effectively plan, implement and teach youth on school field trips, mainly preschool to middle school ages and occasionally high school and adults groups. Teaching topics may include First Peoples such as Foods of the Earth and Wigwam Experience, Bees and Honey, Birds of Prey, Exploring the Animal Kingdom, general nature exploration, Farm Tour, Life Cycles of Plants, Food Webs and exploration of different communities, Pond Study, Woodland Walk and more.
Interns receive training to care for the resident animals that live at the Nature Center taking care of raptors, turtles, frogs, snakes, etc.

Interns will be trained to perform chores at the Farm taking care of cows, sheep, chickens, pig, and turkeys.

Interns assist with special events such as Pancake Breakfast and Maple Sugaring, Easter Egg Hunt, Earth Day open house, Spring Fair, Morning bird walks, and other special events as assigned.

Interns assist with various assigned projects throughout the internship and help support day to day operations of Environmental Learning Centers of CT.

Qualifications and Experience:

• Have completed freshman year of college majoring in natural sciences, biology, environmental education, natural history, elementary education or a related field

• Experience teaching and working with children is preferred

• Be eager to learn and share knowledge

• Have exceptional interpersonal and academic skills

• Be comfortable working with the public

• Be self-motivated, able to follow directions and work independently

• Be able to lift heavy items (20 - 50 pounds) such as hay bales, computer and visual equipment, boxes of publications, birdseed, livestock, tables and chairs, etc. for short periods of time.

• Be able to work with different types of large and small animals

How to Apply:

Send the following materials via email to eoconnell@elcct.org

Or mail to:

Erin O’Connell
Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut, Inc.
501 Wolcott Road
Bristol, CT 06010

• Cover Letter- indicating how this internship program can help you attain your goals and specify which position(s) for which you are applying

• Resume

• Two letters of Recommendation

Job Compensation: Volunteer or for school credit
**Sustainable Garden Intern**

In its second year, the focus of this internship is to provide fresh and healthy food to the local food pantries and soup kitchens in the city of Bristol, CT while offering educational programming and demonstrations about sustainable agriculture and volunteer opportunities to members of the community. If you enjoy working with your hands, getting out into the sun and soil, and learning about how to grow fresh, beautiful produce, then this could be a great fit for you.

The Gardening for Good intern will gain:

- Experience with small scale, sustainable and eco-friendly vegetable growing techniques
- Opportunity to make connections with environmental professionals
- Management and leadership experience working with diverse populations and a variety of ages
- Independent planning and execution of specific tasks under the guidance of the ELCCT staff

**Dates of Employment:**

Start and end dates are flexible, but the position generally runs May through August.

**Duties and Responsibilities:**

Daily duties can include seeding, planting, pruning, weeding, bed prep, vegetable harvest, and deliveries.

Interns will also assist with various assigned projects throughout the internship, such as leading harvest days with summer campers and leading at least 2 educational programs for the public.

Oversee and organize volunteers and coordinate with food pantries.

**Qualifications and Experience:**

We are looking for individuals who are passionate about learning how to grow food and develop community. Interns must be responsible, dedicated and organized. While some growing experience is desired, it is not required. This experience is a great opportunity for someone interested in a job in horticulture, farming, or community organizing.

- Garden planning, seed planting, weeding and harvest experience is preferred
- Some teaching experience and working with volunteers is preferred
- Be eager to learn and share knowledge
- Be comfortable working with the public, school-age children and adults
- Be self-motivated, able to follow directions and work independently
- Be able to lift heavy items (20 - 50 pounds)
• Be able to work outdoors and use a variety of gardening equipment such as shovels, rakes, wheel barrow

• Tractor operation experience a plus but not required.

**How to Apply:**

Send the following materials by March 30, 2018 via email to eoconnell@elccct.org

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Job Compensation: Minimum wage, approximately 20 hours weekly. Onsite housing may be available if interested.
Biological Field Technician & Land Management Intern

This position will work on various land management and research projects within the land holdings of Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut, Inc. in the towns of Bristol, Burlington and Southington, CT. Environmental Learning Centers of CT (ELCCT) protects and maintains over 730 acres of land including the Indian Rock Nature Preserve and the Harry C. Barnes Memorial Nature Center in Bristol, The Ernest and Ruth Hart Nature Preserve in Burlington, The Shepard Nature Preserve in Bristol, The Shangri-La Nature Preserve in Bristol, South Mountain Preserve in Bristol, Fox Hollow Preserve in Bristol, Sunny Dale in Bristol, Hurley Hill in Bristol, Miner on the border of Bristol and Burlington and Toffolon in Southington.

Biological Field Technician & Land Management interns may gain experience with the following depending on their specialty:

- Forest inventory
- Training on invasive plant species identification and control techniques
- Survey experience utilizing GPS/GIS and inputting data
- Experience in natural resource management and conservation
- Opportunity to participate in point-count, vegetative and aquatic plant surveys

Dates of Employment:

Start and end dates are flexible, but the position generally begins mid-February and ends mid-May. Expect a 15-25 hour work week.

Duties and Responsibilities:

Duties consist of tasks common to natural resource management including: wildlife surveys, habitat restoration, inventorying and monitoring of native and potentially endangered species. This position requires strenuous physical activity that includes conducting field work independently or as a part of a group to support biological programs. In addition to field work, a large portion of the position's time may include data entry including use of Excel and GIS.

Duties include:

- Hiking sanctuary and preserves property lines utilizing GPS/GIS
- Utilize GPS/GIS to create accurate maps of current landholdings
- Species inventory- Tree, plants, bird and other animals, etc.
- Native plant restoration planting and monitoring success
- Invasive plant species mapping and control
- Public outreach activities, including participating in special educational events and volunteer work days
- Data entry

Qualifications and Experience:
• Be a current student or recent graduate in Wildlife Biology, Environmental Science, Natural Resources Management, or a related field.
• Must have an outgoing and positive personality and get along well with others
• Experience navigating with and recording data in GIS units
• Experience and ability hike through rugged terrain, sometimes as the sole technician
• Ability to work independently on daily tasks and good observational skills
• Time management and problem solving skills
• Ability to walk for long distances, carry equipment, tolerant of biting insects and aware of nearby poisonous plants
• Skills in using Microsoft Word, Excel and Google Earth
• Valid driver's license

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Job Compensation: Volunteer or for school credit