



Conservation & Restoration Summer Intern

All documents and questions can be directed to:
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Employment Status: Hourly

Salary: \$10/hr, 40 hours a week

Mission Statement

Houston Arboretum & Nature Center is a nonprofit organization whose mission is *to provide education about the natural environment to people of all ages, and to protect and enhance the Arboretum as a haven and sanctuary for native plants and animals*. Located on the western edge of Memorial Park, the Arboretum encourages visitors to slow down and experience the natural world. This 155-acre urban nature sanctuary provides education about the natural environment to people of all ages and plays a vital role in protecting native plants and animals in the heart of the city.

Job Description

The Houston Arboretum & Nature Center is looking for an undergraduate or graduate student with an interest in conservation and habitat restoration for a summer internship position. This is a 6 week internship, preferably from May 21 through June 29, however start and end dates are flexible. This is paid, full time position.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Must be able to work outdoors doing strenuous work in hot and humid weather
- Familiarity with local plant species would be useful, but not necessary

Primary Activities and Responsibilities:

- Learn to identify common invasive plants, along with various removal methods including herbicide application
- Additional activities may include native plant propagation, trail mulching, working alongside volunteers, and assisting the conservation team with daily duties.
- We are open to providing other opportunities for our student interns if they have any requests for feasible side projects.

Interested students will need to send the following documents to Cassidy Kempf, ckempf@houstonarboretum.org, by **March 15, 2019**:

- A one page resume with work history, relevant coursework, and any other relevant information
- A one page cover letter explaining why you are interested in and qualified for this opportunity and what experiences you hope to achieve through the internship
- One letter of recommendation