



M A Y M O N T
NATURE
CENTER

***ENVIRONMENTAL
EDUCATION
2009
INTERNSHIP
ANNOUNCEMENT***

Maymont is a 100-acre park and museum complex in Richmond VA. The nature center complex includes the 28,000-sq.ft. Robins Nature & Visitor Center, outdoor Native Virginia Wildlife Habitats, the Children's Farm and all environmental education programs. Over 400 animal specimens representing over 100 different species are exhibited and maintained throughout Maymont. A comprehensive education program focuses on the natural history and ecology of the James River, native Virginia wildlife and numerous environmental science topics. The combination of live animal exhibits, interactive science displays, and a wide variety of educational programs provide a unique opportunity for college students to learn the operation of a large, complex nature center through hands-on participation.

Maymont Nature Center internships are directed at life sciences, environmental science and science education majors. All interns will receive some orientation to each department at Maymont in order to learn what is needed to operate a large, complex institution.

A modest stipend will be provided. No housing or transportation is provided. Internship will last for thirteen weeks during the summer (between the dates of May 26th through August 21st). Typical hours include 30 hours/week. Interns will not work more than five days per week. Normal work hours are 8:30 am to 3:00 pm.

Internship application requirements include a cover letter, resume, an interview, and the approval of the internship for academic credit by the student's college or university. Maymont offers a unique opportunity for students to participate hands-on in the largest facility of this type in central Virginia.

Main duties of the internship include: assisting with the Summer Discovery Camps held at Maymont, helping with daily duties of the environmental educators, including presentation of public programs, and developing pre and post lessons handouts. Internship involves working with animals and children. Daily journal and directed reading are required. Special projects will be assigned that may include computer literacy and written results. Uniform shirts and manuals will be provided.

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Send application materials to: Dept. KJ
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