

Part-Time Summer Land Management Internship with MountainStar Forest and Eagle Eye Institute

The MountainStar Forest is a 220-acre conservation site in the Berkshires that has served as a welcoming retreat for people of all ages and backgrounds for the past 30 years. The site features a pristine ecosystem with a bubbling brook, waterfall, and habitats for a wide range of wildlife made accessible by a series of mapped trails. With accommodations for an adventurous day trip to overnight camping on spacious tent platforms, an outdoor kitchen pavilion, and a bathhouse with flush toilets, the site is leased to [Eagle Eye Institute](#) to promote time in nature for all people.

Interns will receive training and experience in land management while working directly with the site manager to complete projects such as tree harvesting, sawmill lumber production, carpentry, trail work, bridge building, firewood production, weed-whacking, GIS mapping, and more. Many projects will be physically demanding, but the opportunity to learn a wide range of skills in a short period of time is the reward. During downtime (unpaid) there will be opportunities to learn woodturning and woodcraft.

Timeline: June 27th-July 29th, 2022, excluding July 4th

Hours & Compensation: M-F 8:30 am-12:30 pm, 20 hrs/week, \$15/hr

Qualifications

- Able and willing to do physical work in all conditions, including heat and rain
- Self-motivated, energetic and self-advocating
- Outdoor experience and interest
- Good communication and interpersonal skills
- Able to work well independently and in a small team
- Community-minded and open to sharing about oneself
- Open to a sustainable lifestyle, including a plant-based diet*
- Some land management and carpentry experience preferred

Requirements

- Transportation to get to the site each day

**Note that MountainStar Forest is a 100% plant-based site. All food brought in must be plant-based.*

To apply, please send your resume, letter explaining your interest and relevant experience, and the names and contact information of three references to mkietzke@eagleeyei.org. In your letter, please state why you are interested in the internship, what skills and qualities you have to contribute, and what you would like to gain from the experience on a personal and professional level.



The mission of MountainStar Forest is to protect the spirit of this forest and to conserve and enhance its beauty and health by engaging others of all ages and cultural backgrounds in its stewardship so future generations of all life can flourish.