



Palouse-Clearwater Environmental Institute

PCEI Nature Center Intern

PCEI's Rodeo Campus is located at 1040 Rodeo drive in Moscow, ID. Private donations to the PCEI Capital Campaign made the purchase and renovation of this campus in 2004 possible. Goals for this beautiful site include open space preservation, rainwater collection, examples for "green" building practices, and alternative energy systems. PCEI expects to continue in our role as an environmental resource for the community by offering public demonstrations of these practical and sustainable choices.

Volunteer position description:

The PCEI Nature Center Intern will help PCEI staff maintain the 7.6-acre Nature Center property, while assisting in the creation of a world-class outdoor learning center.

Responsibilities:

- Maintain the PCEI Nature Center grounds (mowing, raking, weed control, etc.)
- Maintain the hiking trail around the Nature Center and help to build wheelchair accessible trail
- Develop layouts and text for interpretive Nature Center signage
- Work under the supervision of the Watersheds Program Director to accomplish priority tasks related to the Nature Center put forth by both the Executive Director and the Board of Directors
- Participate in the development of a weed and maintenance schedule for the PCEI Nature Center
- Coordinate maintenance activities with on site volunteers
- Participate in the planning of Nature Center activities and volunteer events
- Participate in coordination of any scheduled adult learning workshops
- Work to improve the composting strategy at the Nature Center
- Develop fact sheets for onsite alternative building demonstration projects (e.g. strawbale bike shelter, geoweb parking lot, living roofs, water catchment system, artist's studio construction)
- Help maintain tools and equipment

Qualifications:

- Committed to serving the needs of the community and the environment
- Work well independently and as part of a group
- Ability to lead volunteers in accomplishing Nature Center tasks
- Experience and willingness to be prepared and to work effectively in outdoor and occasionally harsh conditions
- Experience working with basic tools and machinery or willingness and ability to learn
- Ability to lift 40 lbs

Schedule:

This position will last a minimum of 3 months, but ideally would last throughout the 2010 summer months with at least a 5-10 hour per week commitment. Our hours of operation are Monday- Friday 9:00am-5:00pm. Saturday and/or Sunday work schedule is also possible when working on independent projects or volunteer events.

For more information:

Volunteer Coordinator, at 882-1444 or <volunteer@pcei.org>

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