

## PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION

### **SOUTHCENTRAL REGION**

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# Summer Internships in Wildlife Ecology - 2024

The Pennsylvania Game Commission (PGC) is offering 2 paid internships in wildlife ecology in southcentral Pennsylvania for the summer 2024 field season.

**Reporting Location**: Pennsylvania Game Commission

Southcentral Region

8627 William Penn Highway Huntingdon, PA 16652

Work will occur throughout 12 counties in the Southcentral Region

**Position Details**: Title: Engineering, Scientific & Technical Intern

Approx. \$16.67/hour; 40 hours/week

Monday - Friday, Variable daily hours depending on assigned tasks including

regular evening and early morning work

Anticipated start date: on or after April 15, 2024, negotiable

Anticipated end date: December 20, 2024\*\*, negotiable to April 2025

Maximum of 749 hours over entire internship

#### Job Description:

Duties will include collection of biological data on these and potentially other species: bats, black bear, eastern wild turkey, barn owl, ruffed grouse, American woodcock, American kestrel, Allegheny woodrat, marsh birds and waterfowl, raptors, colonial nesting birds, upland (e.g., grassland) songbirds, northern flying squirrel, white-tailed deer, mourning doves, and their habitats. Position will *require* daily driving to work sites in the Region (state vehicle provided), some evening and early morning work, data entry, and exposure to decomposing animal carcasses. Successful candidates will be curious, inquisitive, capable of independent work, highly motivated, able to work cooperatively with other interns and team members, and eager to learn. Successful applicants must live within the Southcentral Region and/or must be willing to drive a personal vehicle to the region office daily to pick up and drop off the state-provided vehicle. Exposure to a variety of other PGC work in forestry and habitat management not detailed here is likely. Overtime is earned with supervisor approval above 40 hours per week. No other benefits are provided. \*\*Majority of work will conclude before commencement of fall 2024 semester. Successful applicants can continue to participate in seasonal activities (e.g., duck trapping, bear check stations) occurring beyond that date.

#### Job Requirements:

Work almost entirely will be outdoors and often involve traversing steep, rugged, uneven terrain in all weather conditions. Selected applicants must have a valid driver's license and be willing to drive up to approximately 200 miles daily. Selected applicants must be familiar with the Microsoft Office suite and capable of using other software programs. Candidates will have had college-level course work in wildlife management/ecology, conservation biology, biology, or related fields, and be enrolled (minimum of 12 credit-hours) as a student in the fall 2024 semester. Proof of fall enrollment must be provided upon commencement of internship.



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**To Apply**: <u>Email</u> by midnight February <u>1623</u>—<u>deadline extended</u>—2024 electronic copies of cover letter, current resume with 3 references, and unofficial transcripts showing *cumulative* GPA of completed college coursework to Mr. Justin Vreeland at <u>jvreeland@pa.gov</u>.

Interviews will be conducted virtually in late February or early March.