

## **Natural Resource Instructor, Green Mountain Conservation Camp Temporary seasonal position with VT Fish and Wildlife Department**

**Summary:** Are you interested in wildlife conservation, working outdoors, and educating youth? Jump start your career in conservation and gain valuable experiences. We have openings available as Natural Resource Instructors and Directors at our Green Mountain Conservation Camps. Our positions provide tremendous opportunities for students and graduates to apply their academics in the field and develop additional outdoor knowledge and teaching skills. Best yet, these internship level positions pay competitively. Why work anywhere else?

**Job Description:** Natural Resource Instructors will work under a Camp Director, Assistant Director, and Camp Coordinator at one of the two sites. Instructors will be involved in teaching courses at a residential camp ranging from first aid, hunter and bow hunter education, fishing, forestry, ecology, fish and wildlife management, and outdoor recreation. They will also be responsible for mentoring campers and assisting all staff members in carrying out camp goals, objectives, and the mission of the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department.

### **Specific Responsibilities:**

1. Live in close proximity with campers and be available to help each camper adjust to other campers and camp life.
2. Encourage and lead each camper in their participation in camp activities and interactions with other campers.
3. Be able to teach courses independently and co-teach all courses with other staff members (teach 32-40 classes weekly).
4. Assist with camp activities and other responsibilities including health and safety supervision, dining hall duties, inventory and organizing class materials, grounds maintenance, and similar tasks.
5. Be 'on call' to needs and responsibilities of camp and the campers 24 hours a day.
6. Be a positive role model and leader for the campers and volunteer staff.
7. Be able to deal in an appropriate manner with sensitive and discipline issues in relation to campers.
8. Cooperate fully with the Director, Assistant Director, other Instructors, Volunteers, and all Vermont Fish and Wildlife Staff.

**Application Criteria:** Minimum criteria: one year of college, preferably in Natural Resources, Wildlife, Environmental Education, or similar field. Willingness to work with and teach adolescents 12 to 16 years old and to provide general guidance and leadership to campers are a must. Current First Aid/CPR certification required. Leadership, teaching, and mentoring experience are highly desired. Applicants with summer camp, fishing, hunting/firearm experience, valid driver's license, or advanced emergency care certifications (WFA, WFR, OEC, Lifeguard, etc.) are preferred.

### **Additional information:**

Closing Date: March 15, 2010

Salary: Approx. \$550 per week + room & board

Position dates: early June to late August 2010

To apply, send resume and letter of interest to:

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