



Native Plant Horticulture Internship

One full-time, six-month position

New England Wild Flower Society is the oldest plant conservation organization in the United States and a leader in regional plant conservation programs and native plant studies. Garden in the Woods is the Society's 45-acre botanical garden, containing the largest landscaped collection of native plants in the Northeast (more than 1,500 taxa).

Number available: 1

Application deadline: February 1, 2018

Duration: 6 months, starting in March or April

Location: Garden in the Woods, 180 Hemenway Rd., Framingham, MA

Stipend: \$300 per week + free housing (a taxable benefit)

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DESCRIPTION

Interns gain hands-on experience identifying and cultivating North American native plants in a botanical garden setting. As part of this experience, interns assist in all aspects of botanic garden management for Garden in the Woods, including the use of proper horticultural practices (such as planting, pruning, weed management, soil fertilization, and irrigation), renovation and construction of new gardens, inventory and plant record keeping, and public education. This is an exceptional learning opportunity aimed at gaining valuable career experience caring for gardens and natural areas, planning and leading projects, writing articles, and managing volunteers.

QUALIFICATIONS

The ideal candidate will have a four-year horticulture or botany degree. The candidate should possess strong plant identification skills and a specific interest in native plants of the Northeast. Priority is given to applicants with an interest in pursuing a career in public horticulture and botanic garden management.

BENEFITS

Interns are covered by worker's compensation, but the Society does not provide health insurance, vacation, or sick-time benefits. Benefits include a wide range of optional education classes and field trips.

HOW TO APPLY: Please e-mail or mail a resume, cover letter, and list of three references to:
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