



## 2016 – Geoscientists-in-the-Parks Project Description



<b>NPS UNIT:</b> Rock Creek Park	<b>PD #:</b> 2016076
<p><b>Position Title:</b> Interpretive Geologist</p> <p><b>Position Type:</b> Standard GIP</p> <p><b>Primary natural resource discipline:</b> Geological resources</p> <p><b>Location:</b> 5200 Glover Road, NW Washington, DC</p>	
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND WORK PRODUCTS</b>	
<p><b>Position Description:</b> The participant will work as a member of Rock Creek Park Interpretive Division, researching, developing, and presenting the a Geology hike (45 min) and a Habitat Walk: (60-90 min )(1.3km). Both of these programs will be used by new interns or staff as starter programs. The candidate will also develop geology programming/activities to be used in children’s programs. Ages will vary. These activities will either be stand alone programs or integrated in to our day long Jr. Ranger Camps. The candidate will update and create webpages and Facebook posts on geology. Participant will also work our nature center information desk, rove the park and participate in Ranger on the Road programming (informal interpretive stops). Upon successful completion of the GIP internship, the participant is eligible for an AmeriCorps Education Award. This position is offered through the National Park Service's Geoscientists-in-the-Parks Internship Program in partnership with Environmental Stewards and The Geological Society of America.</p> <p><b>Work Products:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop a Geology hike (45 min) to present to the public and to be used as a starter program for new interpreters.</li> <li>• Develop geology programming/activities to be used in children’s programs. Ages will vary. These activities will either be stand alone programs or integrated in to our day long Jr. Ranger Camps. Update and create webpages and Facebook posts on geology.</li> </ul>	
<b>QUALIFICATIONS</b>	
<p>Applicant must be working on a physical science degree (ideally with course work in geology). At minimum, applicants must have solid computer skills with Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) and Adobe Photoshop. The applicant should be able to work well independently, both in the office and in the field, with little supervision.</p> <p>Selection preference will be given to applicants with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience in public speaking</li> <li>• Advanced knowledge of Geology, &amp; Global Climate Change</li> </ul> <p>The applicant must be a U.S. Citizen or U.S. permanent legal resident (“green-card-holder”) between the ages of 18 and 35 years old. Applicant must have a valid driver’s license and a good driving record. Personal vehicle is not required, but helpful. There is some public transportation near the duty station, but you will still have a 5 to 10 minute walk. Prior to starting this position a government security background clearance will be required.</p>	

<b>INTERNSHIP START/END DATES</b>	
<b>Start Date:</b> 4/24/2016 <b>End Date:</b> 8/6/2016 <b>Are these dates flexible?</b> Yes	
<b>STIPEND PAYMENT</b>	
\$4,500 for 15 weeks	
<b>HOUSING PAYMENT</b>	
\$0	
<b>TRAVEL ALLOWANCE</b>	
\$250	
<b>HOUSING/WORK ENVIRONMENT</b>	
<p><b>Housing:</b> Park housing is provided at no cost to the participant. Shared housing is available in a 9 bedroom house. Kitchen facilities are fully stocked. Rooms may be shared.</p> <p><b>Physical/Natural Environment:</b> Rock Creek Park is in the heart of Washington DC and is accessible by public transportation, though a car is helpful it is not necessary. Grocery and Drug stores are near at hand as well as a variety of entertainment and eating options. Weather in the summer is warm and muggy. The park is a 1700 acre forested landscape with hiking trails, historic building and picnic groves.</p> <p><b>Work Environment:</b> Programs for the hikes and ranger on the road are done outside. Terrain is forested, and rocky. Wildlife include deer, coyotes, birds and other common fauna. Weather is warm, muggy and occasional summer showers. Information desk duties and program creation will be done at the park nature center.</p>	
<b>MENTORING AND LEARNING GOALS</b>	
<p><b>Mentoring:</b> Interns will receive orientation to the park and operations, training in interpretation and resources. They will be paired with a mentor who will be available for questions and guidance in addition to their supervisor.</p> <p><b>Learning Goals:</b> The intern will learn interpretive skills, public speaking, program development and interpersonal skills as the division is small and depends on one another for success. Opportunities will be made to explore career ladders within the National Park service through shadowing and interviews</p>	
<b>SUPERVISORS</b>	
<b>Primary Supervisor:</b>	Tony Linforth
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