

2015 NYC SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

AGENCY NAME

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION

DIVISION

Staten Island Recreation Intern

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AGENCY DESCRIPTION (Max characters 3000)

The New York City Department of Parks and Recreation manages 14 percent of the land in New York City. These assets range from playgrounds and large parks, to tranquil wooded areas and over 14 miles of beaches. Parks serve as New Yorkers' backyards, as vital meeting areas for outdoor play and recreation - but also as critical engines for economic growth and development.

The past decade has seen a remarkable expansion of this system, with new parks, playgrounds, recreational facilities, and amenities opening across the five boroughs. The Bronx River was transformed from an urban dumping ground into a waterway that welcomes kayakers and has gleaming new parks dotting its shoreline. In Queens, Elmhurst Park flourishes where huge gas tanks once stood. In Manhattan, the High Line is a unique open space that brings much needed parkland to the Chelsea community. Brooklyn's once-abandoned industrial waterfront is revitalized with the creation of Brooklyn Bridge Park, Transmitter, and Bushwick Inlet Parks. On Staten Island, Freshkills will cover 2,200 acres of former landfill with lush rolling hills and winding streams. And through PlaNYC, we are ensuring a greener and more sustainable city for future generations. NYC Parks has built new regional parks, restored abandoned Works Progress Administration-era facilities such as McCarren Pool, greened asphalt traffic medians, converted part-time schoolyards into full-time public playgrounds, and has already planted more than 800,000 trees toward our goal of one million.

The work of the agency goes far beyond the maintenance of 14% of New York City's land. Parks is the City's leading programmer of cultural, athletic and social activities, including nature walks, concerts, learn-to-swim classes, sports clinics, historic house tours, and much more. Each year Parks hosts annual events such as WinterJam, Adventures NYC, and the Pumpkin Festival. In addition, Parks produces many special events, concerts and movie premieres, as well as providing free rental equipment for skating, baseball, and miniature golf.

The Parks Commissioner is appointed by the Mayor to oversee and direct the work of the agency. The Commissioner appoints Deputy Commissioners, Borough Commissioners, and Assistant Commissioners who are responsible for managing the agency's divisions. These senior officials supervise the work of thousands of Parks employees. They work with elected officials to complete capital improvements for parks, playgrounds, and recreation centers. They work with the private sector to sponsor free public events. They get the community involved in Parks through volunteer initiatives and educational and athletic programming in recreation and nature centers. They prepare Parks' budget and monitor the work of Parks' ice-skating rinks, golf courses and other concessions.

UNIT DESCRIPTION (Max characters 1000)

Staten Island Recreation provides quality, fun events and programs to the children and families on Staten Island. We have two recreation centers, two summer camps and 10 Kids in Motion sites to cover, as well as mobile unit assignments. We have plenty to keep a good intern interested, busy, and happy to be here. We guarantee the best possible experience at the greatest job in the world.

POSITION TITLE (Max characters 100)

Staten Island Recreation Intern

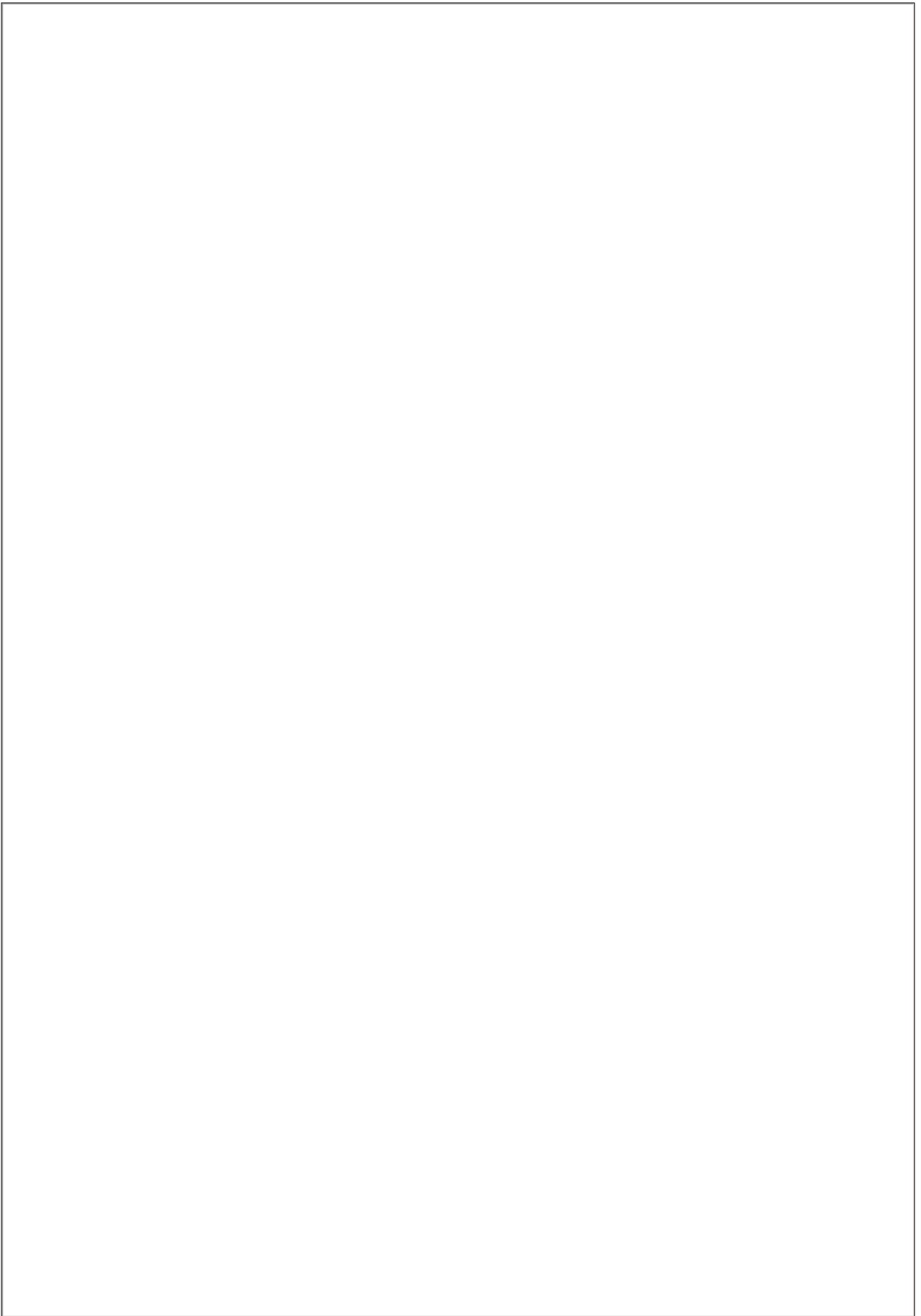
INTERNSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES (Max characters 1500)

Interns will be assigned a wide variety of tasks. Sports, trips, mobile units, movie crew, Summer Camp, Teen programs, program data collection, program assistance and special event ground crew.

The interns will learn about the value of flexibility, the importance of families spending quality time together, the need for continued focus on health, fun and well being. The intern that comes will depart with valuable spiritual tools that will help them to continue to cultivate their insight into what it really takes to commit to public service.

QUALIFICATIONS/SPECIAL SKILLS/AREA OF STUDY (Max characters 1500)

Clerical, Sports, Fitness, Outdoor, Drama, Dance, Arts, Sciences (robotics), Horticulture



APPLICATION PROCESS (Max characters 700)

Please email cover letter and resume to Leslie.Nusblatt@parks.nyc.gov

SALARY RANGE

Unpaid

Internship may be used to fulfill college credit requirement

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / COMMENTS (Max characters 700)

We have TONS of fun, enriching and rewarding opportunities to offer. We start programming in April for our summer sites, and would welcome interns to begin as early as April 1.