

Student Internships in Iowa

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is the conservation leader in America, helping private landowners, land users, and local governments to reduce erosion, protect wildlife, promote good land use, and implement other measures to preserve the nation's natural resources for future generations. The NRCS offers exciting career opportunities in natural resources and the environment.

Iowa NRCS provides students the opportunity to gain valuable work experience through variable job assignments in the field of natural resources, in an effort to combine on-the-job training with academic study. The NRCS Student Education Experience Program (SEEP) will introduce you to the rewards of working in the natural resources environment in Iowa. We are currently recruiting for students who are interested in an internship as a soil conservationist or a forester.

As a Soil Conservation trainee you will spend most of your time in the field assisting a NRCS employee who is working with farmers and other land users offering conservation planning and technical assistance. You will learn ways to conserve the soil, improve water quality, manage nutrients, restore wetlands, and protect and improve wildlife habitat.

As a Forestry trainee you will spend time with the DNR forester assisting in the forestry conservation phases of conservation planning and application on all land uses including cropland, grazing lands, forest land, outdoor recreation, tree management stands, tree sales, marketing new tree planting plans, and windbreaks. Your duties will also include that of a soil conservation trainee (as listed above).

You are eligible under the Student Educational Employment Program if you are:

- A student currently enrolled or accepted for enrollment as at least a half-time degree-seeking student at an accredited college or university;
- In good academic standing (maintain a 2.0 overall scholastic average in a 4.0 scale or have a C or above in your major field of study);
- A U.S. Citizen; and
- Available to work at least two summers

NRCS in Iowa Offers Students:

- Valuable work experience in the "heart of the agricultural community"
- Competitive salaries ranging from \$11.95-\$13.41/per hour
- Reimbursement of travel/transportation expenses and housing and utilities
- Opportunity leading to permanent employment status

To apply, fax or email a resume and transcripts by January 23, 2012.

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