Position/Title: Green Girls College Intern Position (150 hours)

Program Start Date: July 5, 2022- August 4, 2022 (5 weeks)

Salary: $18 an hour

Contact: Send resume and cover letter to education[at]cityparksfoundation.org

ABOUT CITY PARKS FOUNDATION

City Parks Foundation (CPF) is the only independent, nonprofit organization whose mission is to offer programs in public parks throughout the five boroughs of New York City. At CPF, we are dedicated to invigorating and transforming parks into dynamic, vibrant centers of urban life through sports, arts, community development, and education programs for all New Yorkers. Our programs and community building initiatives -- located in more than 350 parks, recreation centers, and public schools across New York City -- reach 425,000 people each year.

- We present the largest free, outdoor performing arts festival in NYC through SummerStage, presenting artists of the highest quality across multiple disciplines and genres, and marionette puppet theater in all five boroughs with our Swedish Cottage Marionette Theatre and the roving PuppetMobile.
- Partnerships for Parks, a public-private program of City Parks Foundation and NYC Parks, supports and champions a growing network of leaders who care and advocate for the transformation of their neighborhood parks.
- We connect youngsters to nature in the urban environment with education programs that provide learning experiences through classroom and hands-on activities in parks, urban forests, coastal areas, gardens, and recreation centers.
- Free golf, tennis, track & field, soccer, and fitness programs bring high-quality instruction and equipment into areas where few organized athletic opportunities exist. We offer leveled training, year-round scholarship coaching, and special pro events.

Our ethos is simple: we believe thriving parks reflect thriving communities.

POSITION SUMMARY

The CityParks Green Girls Empowered by ING Summer Institute is a Science program that engages up to 40 middle school girls, ages 10-13, in five weeks of fun-filled outdoor adventures. Based in the Bronx and Queens, Green Girls study the dynamic urban forests of New York's parks, encouraging them to realize their potential to create change within their natural environment and learn about future careers in the sciences. Whether bird-watching, canoeing, conducting science projects or doing service projects, Green Girls develop a new understanding of natural ecosystems in our city.

CPF has created this opportunity for talented college students to gain hands-on experience working with youth, and to explore environmental science education while helping to promote stewardship and supporting positive youth development. Green Girls Summer Institute program will operate Monday to Thursday from 9:30am-3:30pm for 5 weeks, July 5th- August 4th.
CPF is seeking a College Intern to support the Green Girls Program Manager/Educator in providing instruction and guidance to middle school girls program hours for up to **150 paid hours**. The ideal candidate will have strong knowledge of environmental science and basic understanding of youth development. This summer the Green Girls Summer Institute program will take place in-person at Socrates Sculpture Park, Queens NY and Shoelace Park (playground), Bronx NY. You will select the summer site closest and most convenient to you.

**RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Directly support and assist Program Manager/Educator with implementation of the summer institute program
- Co-facilitate lessons, activities and service-learning projects for middle school girls
- Help design engaging, age-appropriate, inquiry-based, environmental education activities, games, videos and icebreakers
- Provide logistical support and complete general administrative duties as needed for each session, including taking attendance, encouraging participation, supervising activities and field trips
- Support the gathering of materials, videos, photos, and anecdotes of the program
- Assist with daily COVID health screening as well as cleaning and sanitization of all equipments daily
- Participate in orientation/trainings in June and at least 3 College and Career Readiness workshops present by CPF

**QUALIFICATIONS**

- Currently pursuing a college degree in education, ecology, biology, environmental science, or related field.
- Experience working and building rapport with youth and/or children a plus
- Knowledge or interest in urban forestry & wildlife, water ecology, waste management, and climate change science and advocacy
- Understanding of scientific methods and inquiry-based practices
- Interest in working with diverse students, all age groups, and historically disadvantaged communities
- Commitment to Green Girls mission

**CONTACT:**

Interested parties should email a **cover letter and resume** to: education[at]cityparksfoundation.org. Put ‘Green Girls College Intern’ in the subject header.

Thank you for your interest in City Parks Foundation, an equal opportunity employer. Only potential candidates will be contacted. No calls, please.