

Position/Title:	Green Girls Summer 2022 High School Intern (26 hours/Week)
Paid Internship Start Date:	July 2022 (5 Weeks Total)
Prerequisite Virtual Training Date:	March 2022-June 2022 (Once Weekly)
Contact:	Send application 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

Green Girls is a STEM-based program for middle school girls and female-identifying youth from under-resourced communities, providing hands-on activities and outdoor adventures in New York City parks and waterways. During our summer program, students explore current environmental issues such as climate change, the health of our waterways, drinking water supply, and urban forests. Green Girls engages students through experiential, outdoor activities, service learning, and advocacy projects and aims to increase student awareness, interest, knowledge and skills in science and conservation.

CPF has created this opportunity for talented high school students to gain direct experience working with youth and explore environmental science education while helping to promote environmental stewardship, community awareness and positive youth development. Selected interns will earn valuable work experience, put their knowledge and skills to practice while learning and developing new skills and being a part of the **Green Girls** community!

Responsibilities:

- Work as team members to assist the Program Manager and college intern
- Assist with student and group management
- Lead small group discussions and hands-on projects
- Motivate and engage students in activities and lessons
- Support the Program Manager in lesson preparation and occasional office work as needed
- Assist with data collection and recordkeeping
- Maintain rapport with students and create inclusive, safe space for students
- Assist with organizing, set up, cleaning and sanitizing all equipment
- Assist with implementing all safety protocols
- Participate in CPF's 13-week College and Career Readiness program (March 2022-June 2022)

Candidate Qualifications:

- Currently enrolled in high school
- At least 15 years old by July 1st, 2022
- Required to secure working papers from high school prior to summer start date
- Be able to commit to attending the spring training and summer internship work schedule

When does the internship begin?

- Starting in March, selected candidates will be required to attend a College and Career readiness virtual weekly series through May
- Candidates that successfully complete the College and Career readiness program will transition to **paid internships** starting July 2022

What does the summer internship involve?

- Interns will be placed at a Queens or Bronx location based on convenience and accessibility
- Internships will begin in July, and run Monday-Thursday for 5 weeks. **Interns are required to attend all weeks.**
- Interns will work a total of 26 hours per week
- Interns will earn an hourly wage of \$15/hour for the summer internship.
- Interns will participate in daily COVID health screenings

Candidate must have:

- Commitment to gain basic knowledge of urban forestry, water ecology and climate change
- Aware of environmental issues and their impact
- Commitment to learn and implement basic data collection and analysis
- Interested in working with youth
- Desire to help young girls develop an interest in STEM and a sense of confidence in themselves
- Commitment to punctuality and attendance
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Willingness to develop new skills and take on new challenges
- Willingness to engage in physical activity in the outdoors
- Commitment to Green Girls' mission



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How do I know I've been selected?

Upon reviewing your application, apprenticeship supervisors will contact you only if you have been selected for an interview.

Contact:

Interested parties should email to: [education\[at\]cityparksfoundation.org](mailto:education[at]cityparksfoundation.org).

Put 'Green Girls High School 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.