

US Fish and Wildlife Service Internship Opportunity



- Location:** Eastern Massachusetts National Wildlife Refuge Complex
- Position Title:** Amphibian and Reptile Biological Intern
- Duties:** About 90% of the intern's time will be focused on amphibian and reptile projects, and wetland management including: (1) ongoing research and management for Blanding's Turtles and Northern Red-bellied Cooters which involves radio telemetry, trapping, nest monitoring, and vegetation removal; (2) ongoing vernal pool monitoring, surveys, and research which includes egg mass counts and dip net surveys; (3) managing water levels in freshwater impoundments and monitoring/maintaining culverts at multiple sites. Additionally, this intern will be involved in other biological surveys and projects including: weekly waterbird surveys; marshbird surveys; vegetation surveys; mapping, monitoring, and controlling invasive plant species; interacting with the public; entering data; maintaining facilities; and conducting routine office work.
- Qualifications:** Requirements include: the ability to work with the public in a professional manner; the ability to work with minimal supervision and in a group; a valid driver's license; ability to hike long distances over rough terrain and through sand carrying 25 pounds; and enthusiasm. Past experience in radio telemetry, amphibian and reptile identification and monitoring, GPS and GIS use, and an academic background in wildlife or related fields are preferred.
- Salary:** Stipend is on a sliding scale with a maximum rate of \$275/week depending on experience and funding. Free dormitory style housing available nearby in Sudbury.
- Employment Details:** The internship is for 6-10 months with a start date in early April. The position requires flexible hours with some early morning, late evening and weekend hours.
- How to Apply:** Send interest letter, resume, and contact information for 3 references to:
Stephanie_Koch@fws.gov
- Closing Date:** February 1, 2012. Hiring WILL begin before the closing date so applying earlier is strongly recommended.
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