

# Exciting Summer Internship Opportunity Teaching Environmental Education



The Sonoma County Water Agency is looking for energetic student interns with environmental education backgrounds to facilitate lessons to Sonoma County Youth Ecology Corps crews this summer.

The Sonoma County Youth Ecology Corps is a summer workforce training program aimed at educating at risk youth and young adults in environmental stewardship and restoration. This program was launched in 2009 by a coalition including the Sonoma County Water Agency, Workforce Investment Board, Sonoma County Human Services Department, Sonoma County Office of Education, a non-profit organization – New Ways to Work, five youth agencies, and over 30 project hosts. The program provides youth paid employment opportunities that include environmental education, experiential learning and ecosystem stewardship.

The environmental educators would be responsible for facilitating lessons on Nature / Environmental Awareness, Cycles of the Ecosystem, Water and Watersheds, Plant maintenance and Resource Conservation to SCYEC crew members. Each of the teaching modules will have specific, localized, relevant education activities. Each environmental educator will receive formal training from Water Agency educators and natural resources staff.

These are paid internships with the Sonoma County Water Agency. The rate of pay is \$12.45 / hour for undergraduates and \$15.13 / hour for graduate students and the positions are for 25-30 hours a week from 8:00 – 2:00 Monday – Friday. These summer internships will run from mid June – mid August 2013.

Other tasks and duties would include preparing teaching materials, the ability to drive a car, data entry and the ability to maintain positive relationships with the both crew members and Water Agency staff.

A physical and valid driver's license are required.

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