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NASF Forest Policy Internship

The National Association of State Foresters (NASF) represents forestry agencies from all 50 states, 8 U.S. territories and associated states, and the District of Columbia. Based in Washington, DC, NASF works in the national policy arena to advance the practice of sustainable forestry and the conservation of natural resources. The NASF Foundation supports educational initiatives that foster leadership for current and future members of the state forestry community.

Since 1999, the NASF Foundation has been supporting on-the-job experience for graduate and undergraduate students through the NASF Internship Program. This program gives students the opportunity to engage at the national level in legislative, policy and communication activities that influence the future of state and private forestry in the United States.

Interns receive valuable training working with State Foresters, observing and participating in the governmental process, developing communication materials and strategies, and gaining knowledge through various activities in Washington, DC. This opportunity fosters unique qualifications and skills that help young professionals progress and grow in their careers in forestry and beyond.

For more information about NASF or the foundation, visit <http://www.stateforesters.org>

WHEN IS THE PROGRAM?

- There are three internship periods each year: Spring, Summer, and Fall. Dates are negotiable for up to a 15 week period.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- Advanced undergraduate or graduate students at SAF-accredited forestry schools or with a strong interest in forest policy. Outstanding writing skills and ability to work quickly are absolutely necessary. NASF representatives will work with academic institution to arrange for academic credit. Preference will be given to applicants who are receiving academic credit for the internship.

WHAT ARE THE DUTIES?

- Attend and report on Congressional hearings on forestry and natural resources issues, interact with wide variety of forest policy makers.

- Work with Director of Federal Forest Policy to assist legislative tracking.
- Attend other meetings with agency and interest group representatives as necessary.

IS THIS A PAID INTERNSHIP?

- Selected candidate will be paid a stipend of \$1300.00 per month. No other benefits. NASF encourages interested candidates to work with academic institution for financial aid.

HOW TO APPLY

- Send resume, letter describing your interests, professional goals, and three references to "NASF Internship Coordinator" at the address at the top of this page, or fax to 202-624-5407, or email to jdonnay@stateforesters.org