



Environmental Educator Internship (*unpaid*)

Positions Available for Spring, Summer or Fall 2020

Application Deadline: April 30

Organization Description: Ladew Topiary Gardens is a nonprofit organization whose mission is “to maintain and promote the gardens, house and facilities in keeping with the creative spirit of Harvey S. Ladew for the public benefit and for educational, scientific and cultural pursuits.” Ladew’s grounds cover 250 acres, including formal gardens and an educational trail system through natural habitats including forest, meadows and wetlands.

Internship Description: Help promote an awareness, understanding and appreciation of the natural world. Teach hands-on science and environmental education topics to children in Ladew’s school fieldtrip programs, or children in summer nature camps. Summer program topics may include *Butterflies, Fun in the Gardens, From Seed to Flower, Exploring Habitats or more.*

Responsibilities:

- Lead weekday, school fieldtrip tours and/or summer camp activities
- Act as occasional host/greeter in butterfly house
- Assist with leading public programs
- Assist with garden and/or trail work
- Assist with other duties as needed (i.e. program material prep, clipping trails, etc.)

Qualifications:

- Individuals 16 years or older pursuing studies in education, biology, environmental science, botany, zoology, or related fields are preferred
- Enthusiasm for and experience in teaching pre-K through middle school youth preferred
- Friendly, flexible, creative, self-motivated personality with good communication skills
- Ability to walk for up to two consecutive hours and lift heavy objects up to 30 lbs.

Time Requirements: spring, summer or fall availability

- 2-5 days per week; weekday and/or weekend work is available
- 3-6 hours per day; hours vary between 9:00am – 3:00pm

Benefits

- Great career builder for individuals interested in careers in education, environmental education or plant sciences
- Training in natural history, gardening, butterflies, environmental education and other science topics
- Free participation in annual Monarch Butterfly Workshop (in early August)

To Apply: Mail or email cover letter, resume, and the names and contact info of three references to Education Director, Sheryl Pedrick at spedrick@ladewgardens.com.

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