

Rocky Mountain National Park

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Interpretation & Education Program Internship Winter 2023

Rocky Mountain National Park has a well known education and interpretive program focused on providing public programs and curriculum based school programming. Interns assist park staff as program instructors. They also complete projects and administrative tasks required to run this well established program.



Area Information

Rocky Mountain National Park is located 70 miles northwest of Denver and consists of 415 square miles of high mountain scenery carved and sculpted by glaciers. Wildlife includes elk, bighorn sheep, coyotes, mountain lions, marmots, pikas, black bears and a variety of birds. Trail Ridge Road, the highest continuous paved road in the U.S. provides access to the alpine tundra while connecting the east and west sides of the park. There are over 355 miles of trails within the 97% designated wilderness park.

Qualifications

Rocky Mountain National Park seeks interns of exceptional ability, who think and act creatively, have demonstrated communication and problem solving skills, and are computer literate. Candidates must be dedicated to and experienced with interpretive programming for families & adults, and learner-centered education with children.

It is recommended that the candidate be actively pursuing a career in environmental education, interpretation, visitor services, or general education. Personality should include flexibility, a warm disposition, positive work ethic, and the ability to handle the stress of children and visitors in stride. This is an excellent entry-level opportunity.

Duties and Responsibilities

Duties include preparing presenting public snowshoe programs to a diverse audience, and assisting with environmental education activities for school groups.

About 60% of work occurs outdoors at elevations of 8,700 to 9,000 feet, often in extreme weather including cold, snow, and high winds. Programs are physically active lasting from 2 to 6 hours. Moderate hiking is required. Valid driver's license required. About 40% of work is indoors staffing the visitor center desk, preparing for programs, working on projects, and completing evaluation paperwork.

Dates of Service and Benefits

Commitment is 40 hours per week from November 2023 through March 2024 (start and end date is negotiable). Working weekends and some holidays is required. Stipend is \$400/week + housing + uniform.

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Application Procedures

Positions are open until filled. To apply by email please submit:

1. Detailed resume listing education, work experience, and other interests.
2. Three references.
3. A cover letter.