Welcome!

Geoscientists-in-the-Parks
Mosaics in Science Diversity Internship Programs
Future Park Leaders of Emerging Change

National Park Service
STEM Internships
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To provide internship opportunities that meet the needs of the field in science and resource stewardship while inspiring the next generation of park stewards and future NPS employees.
Geoscientists-in-Parks
Program Focus

Technical Assistance to Parks: provides on-the-ground science training and experience for the next generation of park scientists and stewards, while fulfilling critical natural resource science needs of parks, regional networks, and central offices.

The GIP program places close to 200 interns in parks each year.

Project Categories
- Research
- Inventory and Monitoring
- GIS and other technologies
- Education / Interpretation
Geoscientists-in-Parks Internship Program Reach

24 Years

207 Parks, Programs & Offices

1,809 Interns
Mosaics in Science
Diversity Internship
Mosaics in Science
Program Focus

Diversity in Science: 2014 data revealed that the National Park Service workforce is 18% racially diverse (African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asians, Pacific Islanders, others). In STEM fields, this number drops down to 3%, compared to the national average of 6%.

The MIS program places 18 interns in parks each year.

Project Categories
- Research
- Inventory and Monitoring
- GIS and other technologies
- Education / Interpretation
Mosaics in Science Program Reach

7 Years

83 Parks, or networks

146 Interns
Future Park Leaders
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Program Focus

The FPL places approximately 12 interns in parks each year to tackle modern park stewardship challenges that arise from novel, rapid, and/or large landscape change.

Project Categories
- Resource Protection
- Policy and Planning
- Supporting Science
- Sustainable Operations
- Adaptation Actions
- Communication / Interp / Ed

Resource Focus
- Natural Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Facilities
- Visitor Use
Future Park Leaders Program Reach

6 Years

51 Parks & programs

70 Interns
Eligibility Requirements

- University students or recent graduates
- 18-30 years old or veterans up to 35
- U.S. citizens or permanent legal resident
- Must has served less than 4 AmeriCorps terms (GIP only)
- Enrolled in school at time of internship (FPL only)
Benefits to the NPS

• Complete critical natural resource projects
• Cost effective way of providing scientific expertise to parks
• Translate complex scientific concepts for the general public and park staff
• Provide innovative solutions for managing park resources
• Increase youth and diversity in the NPS workforce
Interns Benefits

• Receive a stipend and live in park housing
• Obtain on-the-ground experience while working in an amazing place
• Gain a sense of stewardship of public lands
• Eligible for Public Land Corps Non-Competitive Hiring Authority or Direct Hire Authority
• Eligible to receive AmeriCorps Education Award (GIP only)
• Participation in end-of-summer career workshop (MIS and FPL) in Washington, D.C.
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Application Tips

● **Apply early!** GIP Internships are capped at 100 applications each

● **Diversify!** Increase your chances by applying to:
  ○ A big park
  ○ A small park
  ○ Your dream park

● **Highlight your outdoor skills!**
  ○ Did you complete field work as part of your degree? Travel to national parks as a kid? Do you love backpacking?
  ○ All of these are great supplemental skills that let supervisors know you are a good fit for the park service.
Conclusions

- The GIP, MIS, and FPL internships have provided significant benefits to the NPS, interns, and the public.
- Provide valuable on-the-ground training, personal and professional development skills, while fulfilling critical science needs of parks.
- Through these programs we are able to create the next generation of park stewards and advocates.
Other NPS Internship Opportunities

- Historically Black Colleges and Universities Internship Program
- Latino Heritage Internship Program
- Community Volunteer Ambassador Program

...and many more!

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Thank you!