Women in Parks Internship

Location: Acadia National Park, Bar Harbor, Maine

Compensation and hours: $21-$23/hour depending on qualifications, 40hrs/week

Service Periods: Approximately January 24, 2022 – April 30, 2022, with possible extension depending on grant funds

Friends of Acadia is accepting applications for the 2022 Women in Parks internship. The position is funded by a grant from the National Park Foundation, administered by Friends of Acadia in close coordination with the National Park Service at Acadia National Park. The goal of this position is to create a strong foundation of the future of women’s history interpretation at the park, ensuring women’s stories are represented as a core component of the visitor experience. The Women in Parks intern will research a variety of women’s history in Acadia to update digital platforms and to engage the public to firmly connect the next generation of women to our park. Working alongside park leadership, interpretive staff, resource management, and partners, the intern will augment existing content and create new opportunities via the park website, social media, virtual programming, and personal engagements. Additionally, the intern may present their research in public programming to select audiences (TBD) - including visitors or the local community.

Duties:

1. **Research - 50% of work duties**
   Research the history of women in Acadia National Park. Topics for research and inclusion may include, but are not limited to, early women explorers, women philanthropists, women of science, and current female leaders within the park and community who play a role in advocating for, protecting, and preserving park resources for others.

2. **Documentation & Content Development - 35% of work duties**
   Build upon “Women of Acadia” information available for Acadia National Park use focused on website content, updating a research database; and creating an interpretive program library.

3. **Presentation - 15% of work duties**
   Present content to audiences on a variety of platforms including digital (website, social media), public programming (virtual or live), and creating the park strategy for Women’s History Month in March 2022.

Desired Qualifications:

- Strong foundation in cultural research.
- Excellent oral and written communication experience.
- Ability to document, organize, and develop content for internal & external audiences.
- Demonstrated interest in the Acadia region.
Requirements: Valid state driver’s license is needed and must have a reliable vehicle for travel to/from work. Selected applicant may be required to submit proof of COVID vaccinations and pass a federal background check to comply with federal workspace requirements.

Compensation: $21-$23/hour depending on qualifications. Pay period is every two weeks.

Housing: Park housing may be available at an approximate cost to the applicant of $550-650/month.

Work Environment: Work will primarily be conducted inside, within park offices for consistent access to network resources for research, interdisciplinary collaboration, and equipment for content development. Other research may be conducted at local libraries, historical societies, or museums. While conducting work-related duties, a government vehicle will be available. Telework options exist for a portion of a typical work week.

Application instructions: Submit cover letter, resume, and references by December 22, 2021 to stephanie@friendsofacadia.org. Job announcement will be extended beyond the deadline if the position has not yet been filled. Call Friends of Acadia at (207) 288-3340 or 1-800-625-0321 or email info@friendsofacadia.org with questions. Friends of Acadia is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Friends of Acadia is an independent nonprofit organization founded in 1986. Its mission is to preserve, protect, and promote stewardship of the outstanding natural beauty, ecological vitality, and distinctive cultural resources of Acadia National Park and the surrounding communities for the inspiration and enjoyment of current and future generations.