



Mountain Roots

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Mountain Roots, Inc.
PO Box 248
Cedar Mountain, NC 28718

Position Opening: Summer Program Internship—2017

Position Opening

Mountain Roots Program Interns have the opportunity to learn about experiential education and program management. Our interns are able to get hands-on with program development and marketing; as well as working directly with our participants. We work with a range of populations through our various programs. As a mission-driven organization, one thing that all of our programs have in common is striving towards this common goal: to provide discovery and adventure learning experiences with a focus on environmentally responsible and community centered living. We offer programs that revolve around leadership and group development; nature; and the arts. Summer 2017 internships will include the opportunity to work with 9 weeks of day camp as well as the opportunity to work on program development and assessment. Internships that are 8-10 weeks long will include significant administrative and logistical experience.

Qualifications

Program Interns are directly responsible to the Mountain Roots Executive Director. Our interns may range from a variety of backgrounds, but must have certain interests and qualifications. These include the following:

- Working toward a four-year degree, or the equivalent in work experience
- Interest in a degree in outdoor leadership/recreation/education; elementary education, the arts and sciences, non-profit management, and other related fields
- Experience (and/or interest) working with youth ages 4-18
- Wilderness First Responder (preferred) or Standard First Aid / CPR
- Experience working with individuals with varied backgrounds, abilities, and cultures
- Interest in gaining specific youth development work skills, or administrative experience
- An excitement about serving others in an outdoor setting through challenge and experiential education, as well as a belief in environmentally responsible actions and education
- Competent and comfortable leadership and teaching styles (and an interest to develop these)
- Interest in program and curriculum development preferred



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Job Responsibilities

- To practice the mission of Mountain Roots by providing discovery and adventure learning experiences with a focus on environmentally responsible and community centered living
- Participation in staff training
- Develop an understanding of the various programs of Mountain Roots, Inc.
- Facilitating, and teaching/leading groups as necessary
- Attend all staff meetings
- Projects that are based around your internship goals (we are currently looking for interns with a focus in Graphic Design/Marketing & Farming/Gardening/Environmental Education, Program Development for Summer Camp and Outdoor Education)
- Non-teaching responsibilities and projects as assigned
- Punctuality to all programs, activities, and meetings (5-10 minutes early preferred)
- Act as a model of character development and leadership components being taught
- Be a mentor to participants
- Manage groups in a safe manner, as outlined in the Mountain Roots risk management plan
- Physically able to work the various programs
- Maintain a positive attitude and flexible mindset
- Openness to receiving and providing feedback
- Time management

Compensation

\$200/ week intern stipend

Occasional free local / regional produce available

Position Type: Seasonal, full-time internship (June 5-August 18).

Reports To: Executive Director

Application Closing Date: Position open until filled

Desired Job Start Date: June 5, 2017

To apply: Send a cover letter expressing your interest in joining the Mountain Roots team this summer. Please include your qualifications, resume, and contact information for 3 personal references to:

Mountain Roots, Inc.

Attn: Staffing

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Or email to: ali@mountainroots.org

