

US Military Veteran Fire Corps Expense-Paid Training and Internship

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Serve with SCA's Veterans Fire Corps (VFC) and obtain the skills and certifications you need to become competitive in a wildland fire and /or forestry career. Members gain experience in disciplines like: wildlife ecology; botany; trail work; ecological restoration and resource management.

Participate in projects like:

- Fuels Reduction
- Fire effects monitoring
- Educational outreach
- Pre-fire preparation of burn units
- Prescribed burns

Internship Details:

- This team will consist of five members with one SCA project leader
- Schedule is typically four consecutive 10-hour days
 (where camping is required) and three days off
- 40-hour/week commitment; members must stay for duration of program

Training and Certifications

- Two weeks of field based training
- Wildland Fire Chainsaw Certification
- Basic Wildlife Firefighter and Red Card Certification
- Wilderness First Aid, CPR

Questions or to apply, contact VFC Coordinators:

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Program Dates:

January 28 to April 28, 2017 Various coastal areas -Alabama and Mississippi

Benefits

- · Living allowance of \$280 per week
- Round trip travel allowance of \$650
- Eligible for AmeriCorps Education award of \$1515
- · Worker's compensation
- · Over \$1200 worth of certifications received

Requirements

- Post 911 US Military Veteran
- DD 214 with Honorable Discharge (General Discharge under Honorable positions considered)
- Pass Work Capacity (Pack) Test at the "arduous" level: 3 miles hike with 45-pound pack in 45 minutes
- Valid driver's license
- Pass a criminal background, FBI Fingerprinting, and motor vehicle check
- Ability to hike long distances while carrying a heavy pack and remain composed under pressure while serving in rugged terrain
- Comfort and ability to use a chainsaw and other hand tools
- Comfortable living and serving with veterans from all service branches

Read the Veteran's Fire Corps blog at thesca.org/VFC