

# Grand Teton National Park Summer Resources Internship Announcement 2018 (Two positions available)

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**(1) Social Science and Geology/GIS Research Intern:** In 2018, several research projects are planned to better understand visitor use patterns, behaviors, and experience within Grand Teton National Park, and to monitor associated resources, specifically water quality and thermal features. The park seeks an intern to be part of a small research team who will aid the social scientist and:

- Conduct social science surveys and observations in an outdoor setting
- Manage data collected from visitor intercept surveys and GPS units
- Conduct analysis for preliminary results
- Monitor water quality, hydrology and use impacts in thermal and Wild and Scenic River areas and
- Collect minimal data on alpine environments, including glaciers and climate conditions

This position is best suited for an intern with a **background in social science and/or protected area visitor use management and GIS skills**. The intern should be friendly and **able to spend long days in an outdoor setting and hike to backcountry sampling locations**, sometimes in inclement weather. The intern should maintain a safe work environment, and be able to work in small groups or independently. A graduate level or high level undergraduate student is preferred.

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**(2) Ecology of Bats interns:** Bats of many species are an important component of Grand Teton's fauna, but little of their ecology is known in the park and John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Parkway, including their association with park visitors and staff and associated health risks. The park seeks an intern to:

- Identify bat species both by sight and by sound (echolocations)
- Survey and inventory park buildings for bats, especially housing units
- Inventory natural roost sites, including day and maternal roosts, and
- Develop a map of species distribution and abundance

The intern should have a **background in biology or ecology, preferably with experience studying bats in the field**. To successfully pursue the objectives of this internship, the intern should be self-motivated and enjoy working independently and safely in various field conditions, but also function well in a team environment.

**ALL applicants must be U.S. citizens, a student in the spring or summer 2018 semesters and be continuing in an academic program during fall 2018.** Applicants should be able to work independently once provided direction and training. A current driver's license and good driving record are also necessary. Housing for these (8 to 10-week) positions will be provided at the University of Wyoming-National Park Service Research Center at the historic AMK Ranch on the shore of Jackson Lake in view of the beautiful Teton Range, along with a \$2,500 stipend. Start and end dates are flexible but are expected to be between mid-May and early September 2018.

**How to apply:** Interested students should submit a **resume**, names and contact information for **three references**, their **expected graduation date**, and a **short statement of interest and skills related to the internship(s)** with Grand Teton National Park via email to the appropriate contact by 5:00 PM (MST) on March 1, 2018. Applications will be reviewed as soon as they are received so early application is encouraged.

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More information about Grand Teton National Park can be found at [www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov).



**Diverse students and students with disabilities are especially encouraged to apply.**