NATURALIST INTERNSHIP

Walker Creek Ranch is located in rural West Marin on 1700 acres of beautiful ranch land and is owned and operated by Marin County Office of Education. We offer residential environmental education programs tailored toward 5th and 6th grade students. The outdoor school is dedicated to providing quality educational experiences for teachers and students that inspire appreciation and stewardship of the natural world.

Overview: This is a ten month paid internship in which Interns are responsible for leading hikes, teambuilding, and lessons for groups of approximately twenty students from a variety of cultural, socioeconomic, and educational backgrounds. Interns receive paid training and continuing mentorship throughout the school year.

Responsibilities: Create a safe learning environment for students to have a positive outdoor experience. Plan and teach hands-on Environmental Science curriculum aligned with the Next Generation Science Standards. Lead activities in various habitats, including bay-oak woodlands, pond, creek, tide pools, and ranch garden. Model and encourage environmentally responsible behavior. Applicants should be physically able to work long hours and participate in strenuous activity. Position requires flexibility and the ability to work as part of a team. Responsibilities also include working two evening programs a week.

Desired Qualifications: Experience working with children. Course work and/or experience in Natural Sciences, Environmental Education, Interpretation, or Outdoor Recreation. Ability to speak a second language. Ability to play a musical instrument. Interest and/or experience in working with diverse populations. Enthusiasm and passion for working with youth outdoors.

*Applicants from diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.

Compensation: $88.00/day (Based on 8 hour work day at $11/hr). Room and board provided.

Priority Deadline: Saturday, April 20th, 2018. Interviews to occur late April, 2018. Applicants are encouraged to apply early, five positions available.
Duration of internship: September 4th 2018 - June 7th 2019 (approximate dates)

To apply: send a completed application, cover letter, resume, and three references to:

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Applications can be downloaded from: http://www.walkercreekranch.org/about-us/employment/application-mcoe-class.pdf