

LOUISA COUNTY
CONSERVATION



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Naturalist Internship - Louisa County Conservation

Description: Spring/Summer position under the supervision of the county naturalists. Position based out of the Louisa County Complex, North of Wapello, IA. This position can start as early as April and ends in August. Starting and ending dates are flexible. 40-hour work week with some weekend, evening, and overnight required.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities: *The following duties are normal for this position, but other duties may be required and/or assigned as needed.*

- Planning, promoting, and presenting conservation, recreation and environmental education programs to the general public, schools and other groups.
- Designing interpretive and promotional displays and exhibits.
- Planning and presenting nature camps and programs at the county fair, campgrounds, libraries, and other areas throughout the county. Some nights, weekends, and/or overnights required. These will be scheduled well in advance and some can be scheduled at your discretion.
- Assist with park maintenance as needed.
- Assist other staff as needed.

Approximate breakdown:

- 80% of your time will be spent working outdoors at parks or wildlife areas
- 20% of your time will be spent indoors, planning, prepping, and advertising programs.
- 90% of your time will be spent working directly with youth

Salary: \$12 per hour. No benefits, no housing available.

Entry Level Requirements: Prefer degree or working toward a degree with major coursework in environmental education, education, interpretation, recreation, or natural resources. Additional experience in public speaking, working with youth of all ages, and planning helpful. Valid motor vehicle operators' license required. Ability to or willingness to learn how to paddle canoes and/or kayaks to assist with summer paddling programs.

To Apply: Email a resume, cover letter and three references to Lana Artz-McComb, Interim Director at Conservation@louisacountyia.gov

Deadline: February 1, 2024, or until position is filled.