



JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL SUMMER AT GLACIER NATIONAL PARK AS WE CELEBRATE THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE.

2016 Interpretive Internships at Glacier National Park



The Park

Glacier National Park, located in northwest Montana, makes up the core of the Crown of the Continent ecosystem. Old-growth forests, wind-swept prairies, ancient glaciers, and deep lakes are all part of this spectacular mountain landscape. Plants and animals of the humid Pacific Northwest meet and mingle with those of the Great Plains and northern forests. In the space of a few miles, visitors can travel from lush cedar-hemlock forests through alpine meadows to the edge of the western prairies. With over 700 miles of hiking trails and expansive waterways spanning the one million protected acres, Glacier National Park is an adventurers paradise.

The Positions

Park interpreters are the public face of Glacier National Park. Interns in the Division of Interpretation and Education, with support from experienced staff members, are responsible for researching, preparing, and presenting a range of interpretive programs, including guided hikes, interpretive talks, boat tours, and illustrated programs, on the park's interpretive themes (e.g., wildlife, geology, ecology, human history, climate change). These programs are given in a variety of park locations such as campgrounds, trails, visitor centers, waterways, and historic park hotels. In addition, interns staff visitor centers and provide information and informal interpretation to visitors during fixed station and roving assignments.

Interns receive over 80 hours of formal training in interpretive skills, customer service, bear awareness and safety, and natural and cultural resources; plus a minimum of 40 hours of on-the-job training in conducting interpretive programs and park operations. Additional training and professional development opportunities are also available. If you love learning, sharing what you've learned with others, and working hard in a team environment, these positions prove to be incredibly rewarding.

This internship program is supported by the Glacier National Park Conservancy.

Required Skills & Interest	Employment Dates	Application Information	Position Locations
<p>Public speaking and presentation skills and abilities; interest and/or knowledge in natural and/or cultural history; skill in using computers; ability to work independently and live in a remote area; valid driver's license.</p>	<p>Interns work 40 hours per week with two consecutive days off. Summer internships run from approximately May 30 to August 30, 2016. Beginning and ending dates may be flexible. Extensions possible.</p>	<p>A resume, cover letter, and contact information for three professional references should be submitted via email by February 21, 2016. Unofficial college transcripts encouraged. <i>See contact information below.</i></p>	<p>These positions (up to six) are located in the Hudson Bay District (east side) or West Lakes District (west side) of Glacier National Park. Internships may be based out of the areas of Apgar, St. Mary, or Many Glacier.</p>
Desired Skills & Interest	Stipend	Housing	Park Contact
<p>Background in interpretation, environmental education, biology, geology, history, or related fields; experience working with the public; current American Heart Association Heartsaver CPR & AED certification or higher.</p>	<p>Interns are reimbursed for living expenses at the rate of \$150 per week. A \$350 travel allowance is also provided. The park provides housing, name tags, and uniforms, plus \$65 to defray the cost of other uniform items.</p>	<p>Depending on duty location, housing can include dormitory, bunkhouse, apartment, or a shared house. Housing costs are covered by the park.</p>	<p>To apply via email or to request information, please contact: Amanda McCutcheon West Lakes District Lead Ranger, Glacier National Park, PO Box 128, West Glacier, MT 59936 amanda_mccutcheon@nps.gov</p>

