



## John Hamm Internship

### ALT Background

Our mission is to serve as the lead land trust conserving and stewarding lands that support the scenic, recreational, and environmental well-being of communities in Allegheny County and its environs. We help local people save local land for future generations. We do this to preserve quality drinking water, protect critical ecosystems and wildlife habitat, and to provide passive recreational opportunities to enhance healthy lifestyles. ALT was established in 1993 and has protected over 2,000 acres in Allegheny and Washington counties. We have nine full-time and 12 part-time staff and 16 Board members.

### Internship Summary

The John Hamm Intern will assist with critical stewardship, fieldwork, land management, volunteer recruitment, and conservation area restoration. The intern will primarily work from our Wingfield Pines Conservation Area located in Upper St. Clair, and will work with a variety of partners, such as watershed associations, local government, schools, and other nonprofit organizations to accomplish tasks for the betterment of the entire watershed.

### Primary Duties and Responsibilities

- Communicate with visitors to promote understanding of the land's unique attributes and threatened resources. Lead interpretive walks of the Abandoned Mine Drainage (AMD) system at ALT's Wingfield Pines Conservation Area. Coordinate, lead, and wrap-up volunteer workdays and events.
- Make presentations and represent ALT at community events and meetings. Attend a variety of public events working with community members, local authorities, and volunteers in support of healthy conservation areas.
- Assist with management plan implementation, invasive species control, native habitat development, and more.
- Perform general maintenance of trails, signs, parking areas, and other visitor facilities in conservation areas found in the watershed.
- Maintain accurate records in the ALT stewardship office of activities and events on conservation areas.
- Assist ALT staff as needed.



## Requirements and Basic Qualifications

- Preferred candidate should be pursuing a degree in natural sciences, landscape architecture, or a related field
- Excellent public speaking, communication, and organizational skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Ability to lift and carry up to 30 pounds; ability to use hand tools and some mechanical equipment
- Familiarity with native flora/fauna as well as invasive species
- Knowledge of trail maintenance and ecological land management principles
- Availability to work some evenings and weekends
- A valid driver's license and transportation (gas expenses are reimbursed at the federal per diem rate)

**Title:** John Hamm Conservation Intern

**ALT Headquarters:** 416 Thorn St., Sewickley, PA 15143

**Hours:** 37.5 hours per week for 10 summer weeks

**Pay Status:** Paid internship, no benefits

**Supervisor:** Caitlin Seiler, Director of Volunteer and Land Resources

**To Apply:** Submit cover letter, resume and three references to Caitlin Seiler, Director of Volunteer and Land Resources at [cseiler@allegHENYlandtrust.org](mailto:cseiler@allegHENYlandtrust.org) with "Conservation Internship" in the subject line.

**Application Closing Date:** April 3, 2017

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