YMCA Camp Seymour
Grant Researcher Intern

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Internship Position Title: Grant Researcher Intern

Number of Openings: 1

Quarter(s) Internship is available for: Fall, Winter, Spring

Hours per week: Unpaid, but Meals provided

Location: YMCA Camp Seymour, 9725 Cramer Rd. KPN, Gig Harbor, WA 98329

Description of Organization: YMCA Camp Seymour is a not-for-profit Y Camp that runs programs year round. In the summer we run a traditional resident summer camp. During the school year and parts of the winter, we offer Outdoor and Environmental Education (OEE) Programs to school groups during the week and conferences and retreat groups on the weekend. We also offer teen leadership programs, family camps, and challenge course/high ropes course programs.

Camping, like many Y programs, is about learning skills, developing character and making friends. But few environments are as special as camp, where kids become a community as they learn both how to be more independent and how to contribute to a group as they engage in
physical, social and educational activities. Camping teaches self-reliance, a love for nature and the outdoors, and the development of attitudes and practices that build character and leadership—all amidst the fun of camp fires, bugle calls, canoeing, archery, talent shows, and meaningful relationships. Y counselors are dedicated to making sure camp is an amazing experience for every camper.

Responsibilities of Intern:

- Research and identify grants YMCA Camp Seymour can apply to obtain microscopes for a plankton class
- Research and identify grants YMCA Camp Seymour can apply to obtain wetsuits and snorkel gear for our summer camp Marine Science program
- Research and identify grants YMCA Camp Seymour can apply to obtain loaning gear (rain coats, rain pants, jackets, sleeping bags, etc.) for participants to borrow when coming to camp
- Write and submit grant applications on behalf of YMCA Camp Seymour.
- Observe OEE program through observation of classes and activities to gain a better understanding of how we teach students as well as how the items we are hoping to get funded could be used

Qualifications:

- Ability to do methodical research
- Strong sense of responsibility and highly dependable
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Outstanding organizational skills

How to Apply: Fill out a Volunteer Application which includes a list of reference needs, and turn it in to Becca Gjertson @ YMCA Camp Seymour. Go through the interview process. If chosen all Volunteer interns are required to take Child Abuse Prevention Training and must pass a background check.