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# CONSERVANCY for CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

## **Position Announcement**

Field Instructor Fellow

**Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park** is a non-profit organization created to engage public support for the park and provide services to enhance public use and enjoyment of the park. The Conservancy and the National Park Service (NPS) work in partnership to manage the Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center. Programs at the Education Center are designed to educate and inspire youth and adults in a 500-acre natural setting. Offerings at the center include a four-day, three-night educational experience for fourth through twelfth grades; day programs for preschool, elementary, and secondary school classes offered in the park and at area schools; and weekend retreats for educational and community groups.

### Position Description

- Participate in a comprehensive 3-week training;
- Work collaboratively with the Education Center team to conduct programming for schools and community groups;
- Lead morning, afternoon and evening instructional units on natural history, human history and environmental appreciation using the field, labs, and activity areas;
- Teach day programs and participate in supporting special programming;
- Contribute to other aspects of operations at a residential environmental education center, as assigned.

This is an intense, but highly rewarding experience; expect to work up to 40 hours per week, with some weeks of overtime, and weekend work will be required. The ten-month fellowship term is August 13, 2018 through June 7, 2019 with a substantial unpaid winter break. Fellows are not responsible for students after the conclusion of evening programs, and supervisory responsibility is always shared with teachers from participating schools.

### Minimum Qualifications:

Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience required. Applicant must demonstrate interest in or knowledge of the environment and/or the arts. Applicant must possess a sincere desire to work with elementary, middle and high school students in an educational setting. Applicant must be patient, hardworking, flexible and able to react well under pressure. Background/fingerprint check, and First Aid and CPR certification must be completed prior to start date.

#### Pay and Benefits:

- Hourly pay rate of \$8.15/hour. Work load will average 40 hours/week, and overtime will be paid at a rate of time and a half;
- Housing in National Park Service owned apartment-style units in Everett;
- Meals during the days when schools are in residence at the Education Center;
- Skill training in the field of environmental education;
- Opportunities to participate in Conservancy events and contribute creatively to future educational programming at CVEEC.
- Optional medical insurance is offered.

#### To Apply

Email your cover letter and resume to <u>apply@forcvnp.org</u> with the subject heading "Education Center Field Instructor Fellow". Best qualified applicants will be asked to complete a formal application, including references and college transcripts. Deadline to apply is May 10, 2018.

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