



Conservation and Outreach Internship- Summer 2022

Compensation: starting at \$12/ hour, commensurate with experience

This internship will be involved with a wide range of activities and projects at the organization and will report to the Executive Director. This person will assist with conservation and restoration efforts on the Preserve as well as nature interpretation in the EcoCenter, at community events, and on the Swaner trails. Duties will include:

- Assisting with a broad range of land management and habitat restoration projects such as installation of streambank revetments on East Canyon Creek, fence installation and repairs, trail camera deployment and monitoring, and management of noxious weed species on the Preserve including pulling and monitoring.
- Working at the EcoCenter exhibit hall interacting with visitors, as well as assisting with guided Preserve tours and lectures.
- Creating interpretive materials to educate visitors and trail users about the Swaner Preserve. Assisting with social media content associated with their work.

Candidates must have a positive attitude, be willing to learn, work well as part of a team, and enjoy working outdoors in a variety of environments and weather conditions. Candidates must be professional in interactions with staff, volunteers, and the public as a representative of USU Extension and the Swaner Preserve and EcoCenter.

During the course of this internship, the intern will experience a wide range of conservation projects and outreach opportunities, making this the perfect internship for a student or recent graduate who wants the opportunity to explore a variety of career options or refine their interests in the environmental or non-profit field.

- This intern will gain hands-on experience in implementation of restoration and land management projects, including identification of native and non-native plant species. They will gain an understanding of the complex issues surrounding community conservation including local partnerships, conservation easements, and recreational use. The intern will also develop outreach and interpretation skills, enabling the intern to effectively communicate and teach about the natural world. The intern will learn about non-profit organizations and management, the day-to-day operations of a community center, and the many facets of USU Extension work.

Interested candidates are requested to **apply [here](#)**.

Questions? Contact Rhea Cone, rhea.cone@usu.edu

Materials must be submitted by **April 3rd, 2022**. Review of materials will begin in mid-March 2022.