Pennsylvania is rich in natural beauty and outdoor recreation. Much of that beauty is protected in public lands set aside for every citizen to enjoy, such as our state parks and forests. The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) maintains 121 state parks, manages more than 2.2 million acres of state forest land, provides support for the state’s ecological and geological resources, assists with community conservation, and provides education and recreation programs. To accomplish these goals, DCNR seeks interns drawn to challenging and rewarding career experiences in conservation, recreation, and environmental protection.

You can play a role in protecting and enhancing our bountiful natural lands, overseeing the state park system, managing state forest lands, or expanding outdoor education and recreation opportunities throughout the state. As a DCNR intern, you gain:

- Rewarding experience in your field of study
- Hands-on skill development in conservation-related work
- Insight into state government employment
- Employment opportunities throughout the state

Requirements

You may apply for an internship with DCNR if you are…

- In good academic standing.
- Enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited college or university, which offers or leads to an associate, bachelor, or graduate degree.
- Pursuing a degree in one of the following fields of study.

**Architecture:** Architectural design and landscape architecture.

**Engineering:** Agricultural, architectural, civil, civil structural, electrical, environmental, geological, industrial, mechanical, mining, petroleum, sanitary and soils, and engineering technology.

**Science:** Agriculture, agronomy, bacteriology, biology, biochemistry, botany, chemistry, conservation management, earth science, ecology, entomology, environmental biology, environmental resource management, environmental science, floriculture, forest ecology, forestry, geography, geology, horticulture, hydrogeology, mammalogy, meteorology, microbiology, mineralogy, ornithology, water resource management, wildlife management, and zoology.

**Technical:** Computer science/information technology, geo-environmental studies, geographical information systems (GIS), mathematics, operation research, statistical analysis, or any other program-specific field such as environmental education, environmental planning, recreation and parks management and similar curricula.