

Career Development Opportunity

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Are you a BHSU Alumni?: No

If yes, what year did you graduate?:

Opportunity Details

Business, Company, Organization Name: Montana Conservation Corps

Company Description: “Inspiring young people through hands-on conservation service to be leaders, stewards of the land, and engaged citizens who improve their communities.”

Those are the words we live by and the mission we serve here at Montana Conservation Corps. Each year we enroll hundreds of young adults and school-aged youth in our AmeriCorps and Youth Service Expedition programs. The first three months are spent teaching leaders wilderness, leadership, and interpersonal skills as part of our highly-acclaimed Leadership Development Program. Our leaders then pass those skills along to their crews of members, as they live, learn, and serve together in some of our country’s wildest places. They complete conservation projects in local communities, national forests, state and national parks, wildlife refuges and federally designated wilderness areas.

Opportunity Offering: Full-time job

Work Study Options:

Opportunity Title: Big Sky Watershed Corps-AmeriCorps Member

The opportunity will take place in?: Montana

Start Date: 1/6/2020

End Date: 11/13/2020

Weekly Hours: 40

Hourly Wage: \$622 biweekly; Health Insurance: Provided at no cost Education Award: \$6,095 upon successful completion of the program

What does the opportunity provide?:

Big Sky Watershed Corps is an AmeriCorps program that assists Montana’s watershed communities to make a measurable difference in local conservation efforts while strengthening the experience of young professionals. Primary duties of the Big Sky Watershed Corps Member (CM) include working with the Host Site staff to complete tasks related to project design and implementation, community outreach and education, volunteer generation and management and reporting functions. The CM works under the direct supervision of the Host Site Supervisor and the Big Sky Watershed Corps Program Manager to ensure successful completion of program objectives. The CM is an AmeriCorps Member and is entitled to the benefit package offered to all AmeriCorps Members.

BSWC members develop projects to protect local water resources, such as watershed inventories, stream and riparian restoration, re-vegetation projects, drought planning, water quality/quantity monitoring, riparian fencing, river clean-ups, abandoned mine reclamation, and irrigation improvements. BSWC members also promote watershed health and natural resource conservation through outreach and education. They engage with local communities through lessons in schools, community field days, workshops, and trainings. They develop curriculum, focus on issues with local solutions, implement outreach initiatives, and organize public meetings and events for community stakeholders. BSWC members consistently engage volunteers for training and events that relate to watershed health and protection. Members also develop a skilled and influential recurring volunteer-base to support local efforts.

What are the characteristics of a qualified candidate?:

Required Qualifications:

- College degree (B.A./B.S.), preferably in watershed, agriculture, environment, or education related field.
- Effective written and oral communication skills.
- Valid driver's license, access to a vehicle, ability to pass a motor vehicle records check, US Citizenship or ability to work in the US.
- Strong service ethic and desire to serve the community and the environment.
- Ability to provide personal transportation to worksites, housing, and trainings.

Responsibilities:

- Work with Host Site staff to develop and implement watershed-related field projects.
- Assist Host Site staff in the completion of watershed-related plans.
- Recruit and manage volunteers on field and service projects; ensure participant safety on all projects.
- Develop materials (brochures, posters, PowerPoint presentations) to use in community presentations.
- Conduct community outreach to educate community stakeholders about watershed-related issues.
- Work with schools and/or youth groups to develop field projects or educational presentations.
- Maintain accurate personnel, safety and project records.
- Complete and submit required program reports in a timely manner.
- Help complete and submit relevant grants.
- Help develop and write watershed-related plans, proposals and reports.

What skills are needed to be successful?:

Preferred Qualifications/Experience

- Previous watershed-related experience, fieldwork, data collection & analysis or plan development.
- Previous teaching or volunteer management experience.
- Ability to work with and build consensus among diverse stakeholders.
- Open and adaptable to new environments, different perspectives and rural communities.
- Previous work or volunteer experience with local stakeholder, watershed or natural resource groups.

Application Process:

Apply here: <https://careers-mtcorps.icims.com/jobs/1451/big-sky-watershed-corps-member-2020/job?mode=view>

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