

# Friends of the Chicago River



Friends of the Chicago River is committed to training future conservation professionals by providing college interns real-world experience in a supportive environment. For over 25 years, Friends of the Chicago River has helped create a greener, more accessible and better cared for river. Our acclaimed programs include public policy and planning initiatives geared toward improving water quality and access to the river so that it can best support wildlife and a myriad of recreational uses; on-the-ground projects that physically improve the river and provide quality habitat; and education and outreach programs that inform and inspire people to help revitalize the Chicago River. “Friends” is 501(c)(3) non-profit organization supported by over 2,000 members including individuals, businesses, corporations, foundations, government agencies, and other nonprofit organizations.

Friends of the Chicago River is an equal opportunity employer.

## **Time Commitment:**

Internships are generally between six and twelve weeks in length. The weekly commitment is 10 to 20 hours per week depending upon the assignment—see individual job descriptions.

Internships are available in the fall, spring, and summer terms. Start and end dates may be negotiated to meet the needs of the student schedule as well as the needs of our organization.

*All internships are unpaid.* College credit may be awarded. It is the responsibility of the student to determine if this internship fulfills the requirements of the university for credit.

## **Requirements:**

All interns must have completed at least one year of college; recent graduates welcome!

Please see individual job descriptions for additional requirements for specific intern opportunities.

All interns will complete an independent project that will provide evidence of the intern’s accomplishments as well as help to fulfill Friends of the Chicago River’s strategic initiatives.

Transcripts and letters of recommendation are *not* required to apply. They may be requested later in the recruitment process if necessary to make a selection.