
Position Description

Position Title: Education Intern – Karen and Robert Scott Florida Garden

Department: Education

Reports directly to: Director of Education

Organizational Description: Naples Botanical Garden is a 170-acre world-class paradise, featuring the flora and cultures of the tropics and subtropics between the latitudes of 26 degrees north and 26 degrees south, including Brazil, the Caribbean, Southeast Asia and Florida. The Garden's mission is to connect people and plants through display, education, conservation and science. The Garden's hands-on Vicky C. and David Byron Smith Children's Garden, along with 90-acres of beautifully restored native habitats, formal Gardens, walking trails, and Buehler Family Foundation Enabling Garden offer education and enjoyment for people of all ages.

Position Summary: Naples Botanical Garden is seeking an intern for the Karen and Robert Scott Florida Garden. The Scott Florida Garden highlights the diversity of wildflowers and plants native to Florida alongside combinations of plantings recommended for Florida. The successful candidate will collaborate with Garden staff, volunteers and community partners to develop native plant combinations that can be re-created in a residential landscape, and assist in the daily horticultural and interpretational activities in the Scott Florida Garden. The position is a paid, full-time 12-week internship.

Primary duties:

- Collaborate with Garden staff members, volunteers, and partner organizations to further introduce sustainable yet uncommon native species to the public along with horticultural management tips and design recommendations.
 - Collaborate with Garden staff and volunteers in the management and day-to-day horticultural activities in the Scott Florida Garden including planning and growing native plants for display.
 - Write a short informative article for the Garden's website each week focusing on introducing uncommon native plant species to the public.
 - This position will have opportunities to work closely with Garden staff to learn about native plants, management of native plantings and sustainable horticulture techniques.
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Requirements of Internship:

- The ideal candidate should be pursuing a degree in the field of horticulture, landscape architecture, environmental science, or related field.
 - Highly motivated and organized with a strong work ethic
 - Willingness and ability to work full days outdoors in a hot and humid environment and ability to lift and carry at least 35 pounds.
 - Possess a commitment to the Garden's mission of connecting people with plants with a demonstrated ability and interest in gardening.
 - Excellent organizational and communication skills
 - Must be available for a minimum of a 12-week period on a full-time basis. The position is full-time temporary for a minimum of 12 weeks.
 - Must possess a valid U.S. driver's license and reliable transportation
 - Will be required to undergo a background check prior to being hired
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To Apply: Please provide a cover letter, resume, and contact information for three references by email to resumes@naplesgarden.org. Please include Wildflower Internship in the subject line. To find out more about Naples Botanical Garden, please visit our website at www.naplesgarden.org. Naples Botanical Garden is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The Garden has a long-standing policy of employment and advancement based solely upon qualifications to perform the essential elements of a position without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, national origin or disability.