

Position Description

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

Department: Conservation

Reports directly to: Natural Areas Manager

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. Naples Botanical Garden is a 501(c) 3 organization.

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 plants native to Florida alongside combinations of plantings recommended for Florida. The successful candidate will collaborate with Garden staff and volunteers in the maintenance and management of the Scott Florida Garden and propagation of plants for the Garden. This paid position is full-time (40 hours/week), temporary for a minimum of 12 weeks or part-time temporary for an equivalent period.

Primary duties:

- Collaborate with Garden staff and volunteers in the planting, redevelopment, and day-to-day horticultural activities in the Scott Florida Garden including planting and growing native plants for display.
 - Assist staff in the development of interpretational materials for the new Scott Florida Garden.
 - This position will have opportunities to work closely with Garden staff to learn about native and Florida-friendly plants, 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 and/or design, environmental science or a related field;
- Be highly motivated and organized with a strong work ethic;
- Be willing and able to work full days outdoors in a hot and humid environment and 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;
- Possess excellent written and oral communication, organizational, and interpersonal skills; and
- Possess and maintain a valid Florida driver's license and have an acceptable driving record.

A pre-employment background check is required.

To Apply: Please provide a cover letter, resume, and contact information for three references by email to resumes@naplesgarden.org. Please include Florida Garden 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 age, creed, gender, national origin or ancestry, race, color, religion, veteran status, pregnancy, marital status, HIV status, genetic information, sexual orientation, handicap or mental or physical disability.