



Position Description

Position Title: Education & Visitor Experience Intern

Status: Full-time/Hourly

Department: Education & Visitor Experience

Reports directly to: Education Operations 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: The Summer Internship in Education & Visitor Experience at Naples Botanical Garden offers current or recent students an opportunity to gain valuable hands-on experience in informal science education. The intern will work closely with the Education & Visitor Experience team across a wide range projects intended to enliven the Garden's mission and activities for adult, youth, and family learners. The internship opportunity is a paid full-time 12-week position that will provide students the opportunity to broaden their experience in informal science education in a public garden setting.

Primary duties:

- Collaborate with Garden staff to plan and deliver educational programming.
- Collaborate with Garden staff to produce interpretive content for different audiences.
- Assist Garden staff and volunteers in day-to-day horticultural activities as needed.

Additional Responsibilities

- Participate in Garden-wide events, exhibitions and projects as required or needed
- Performs other duties as assigned and required

Requirements:

- Be pursuing a degree in education, environmental education, horticulture, environmental studies, museum studies, or have an equivalent level of education and experience
- Highly organized and motivated with a strong work ethic
- Excellent communication skills, enthusiasm, and a desire to learn
- 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.
- Must be able to work a flexible schedule, including at least two weekends per month and holidays
- Must possess a valid U.S. driver's license and reliable transportation
- Will be required to undergo a background check prior to being hired

To Apply: Please provide a cover letter, resume, and contact information for three references by email to resumes@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.