



MARTHA'S VINEYARD LAND BANK COMMISSION

Seasonal Ecology Internship

The Martha's Vineyard land bank is seeking three ecology interns for the 2024 summer season from May-October (\$17/hr, 40-hour week). Start and end dates are flexible. The position supports the land bank's ecologist and livestock manager with ecological surveys and the restoration grazing program on over 4100 acres of conservation land owned by the land bank.

Responsibilities:

- Survey lepidoptera, bats, amphibians, and breeding birds.
- Monitor and remove invasive plants.
- Collect GPS data and perform GIS mapping using ArcMap.
- Inventory vegetation in grasslands, shrublands, and woodlands.
- Assist with electric fencing set-up and general goat herd maintenance.
- Collect water quality data.

Requirements:

- General knowledge and interest in wildlife and plants and a strong foundation in basic field skills.
- Prior coursework or equivalent field experience in identifying birds by sight and sound and using a dichotomous key to identify plants.
- Basic knowledge of ArcMap and R studio is desirable, but not required.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Comfortable around livestock.
- Valid driver's license, clean driving record and **own vehicle**.
- Flexibility and willingness to work weekends and holidays.

Housing and compensation:

- \$17/hr, 40 hours per week
- Seasonal shared housing is available in exchange for an additional 4 hours of work per week. If you require housing, please make note of it in your application.

Application process: Complete a land bank application through the portal on the land bank website under employment. Your application should include your resume, cover letter, and contact information for 3 references. Be sure to indicate what position you are applying for in the application dropdown menu (Ecology Interns). Application deadline is **February 5th, 2024**. Contact Julie Russell for any additional information (julie.russell@vineyardlandbank.com).

Link for job description and application: <http://www.mvlandbank.com/employment.shtml>