



Presidio Trust

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Presidio of San Francisco, Full-time, 10-12 months, Housing + Stipend

Position Title: Integrated Pest Management Intern

Division: Presidio Trust Division of Public Safety and Municipal Services

Reports To: Christa Conforti, Integrated Pest Management Program Coordinator

Are you passionate about parks, sustainability, and building community? Join our dynamic team and help us build a sustainable national park and community!

We are looking for one intern who is excited to work on conscientious caretaking of all Presidio communities, challenge themselves with a diverse work experience, and get their hands in the dirt!

ABOUT THE PRESIDIO + THE PRESIDIO TRUST

Guardian of the Golden Gate for more than 200 years, the Presidio endures as a place of service and possibility. Now a distinctive part of the national park system, this magnificent American landmark invites visitors to be inspired by its beauty and to participate in a variety of programs that draw on its history and natural resources. The Presidio is also home to a vibrant community of people who work and live in the park. The 1,500-acre Presidio is part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, one of the world's largest national parks in an urban setting, spanning over 80,000 acres north and south of San Francisco's Golden Gate.

The Presidio Trust is an innovative federal agency created to save this former military post and transform it for a new national purpose. The Trust's vision is that the Presidio will be forever a public place: vital to the Bay Area, important to all Americans, and recognized for achieving broad benefits for the nation. To learn more, visit www.presidio.gov.

POSITION OVERVIEW

This internship supports the Presidio Trust's Integrated Pest Management Program, dedicated to ensuring that pest management in Presidio landscapes and buildings is done in such a manner to maintain a healthy ecosystem and protect park visitors, residents, wildlife, water, and other natural resources. The intern will also help support the Presidio's Native Plant Nursery, and Sustainability Program.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist in insect and plant pathogen monitoring programs
- Assist in field trials to evaluate least-toxic pest management methods
- Lead, teach and motivate volunteers during weekly drop-in volunteer programs
- Conduct and present an independent project - determined by program priorities and intern's interest
- Participate in seed collection, propagation, and ecological restoration
- Participate in Presidio Trust public events and programs

QUALIFICATIONS

- A Bachelor's degree in environmental studies, natural sciences, horticulture, agriculture, or ecology is favored; or equivalent work experience in a related field
- Ability to work independently in a motivated manner, with good organizational and time management skills

- Enthusiasm for engaging and leading the community, including volunteers
- Comfortable working both outdoors and indoors
- Ability to perform lab work
- Competency with Microsoft Office, especially Excel and Word
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Able to work safely with gardening tools
- Must be a US Citizen and be at least 21 years old
- Must possess and maintain a valid State driver's license

WORK ENVIRONMENT AND PHYSICAL CONDITIONS

- Requires periods of standing, walking, climbing, and lifting at least 30 lbs., and carrying heavy objects
- Work is performed both indoors and outdoors with weather conditions ranging from hot, dry and dusty to foggy, cold and rainy. There may be exposure to poison oak.
- Indoor work is performed in a typical office setting and inside a plant nursery
- The position requires working both independently and as a team and involves working with a variety of Trust department staff and volunteers
- The intern will be required to drive and be a passenger in a motor vehicle. Selected candidates will be required to provide a photocopy of their current valid State driver's license.

WHY APPLY

- Gain professional development in a team setting
- Learn valuable skills in park management, sustainable practices, and community engagement
- Develop leadership and public speaking skills
- Attend a range of classes through the Park Academy
- Great opportunity to live in a national park and work with staff and volunteers from diverse backgrounds who share a common interest in engaging the public and preserving the natural and cultural history of the Presidio

TERMS

The position is considered volunteer and is part of the Presidio Trust's Volunteer Program. Successful applicants sign the Presidio Trust Volunteer Agreement. Interns are provided single occupancy dorm-style housing in the Presidio and abide by a set of residential rules. Interns must live in the housing provided to receive the stipend and we cannot accept non-residential interns.

Application Deadline: Applications submitted by Dec 1st, 2015 will receive preference

Start Date: January 20, 2016

Length of Position: 10-12 month commitment

Schedule: 40 hours per week, Monday - Friday schedule

Stipend: \$300 every two weeks

Transportation Benefit: \$50 monthly parking permits for car owners or \$50/month for non-car owners

TO APPLY

Interested candidates should send a cover letter, resume, and contact information for at least two references (include full name, title, phone number and email address), by email to Christa Conforti at interns@presidiotrust.gov. PDF format is preferred but Microsoft Word versions are acceptable. We will review applications received and will select some or all for interviews to be conducted at a mutually arranged time. Questions? Email interns@presidiotrust.gov. *The Presidio Trust is dedicated to representing the community it serves. We encourage candidates that will bring diversity to the Trust to apply.*