

HORTICULTURE INTERNSHIP

Starting mid-June 2016 ideally.

Tyler Arboretum is seeking an Intern who is passionate about horticulture and have a commitment to learning through working. Ability to lift 30 lbs., be physically fit and willingness to work in adverse weather conditions are required.

The internship is intended for those with an existing knowledge of routine garden maintenance and is interested in furthering this skillset. This internship will grow your woody plant id knowledge as well as skills in people engagement. Intern will also be exposed to working in Tyler Arboretum's 550 acre natural areas which involves trail maintenance and invasive plant removal.

Work schedule: 37.5 hours a week from mid-June to end of August -- negotiable. Some weekends and evenings.

Salary Range: paid \$12 to \$15/hour depending on experience and education. Credit or internship requirements can be arranged as needed

Department: Horticulture

Reports to: Director of Horticulture

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Maintain display beds (mulching, weeding, pruning, watering, etc.)
- Assist with mapping and plant records; evaluate plant material (herbaceous and woody plants)
- Help with grounds maintenance activities
- Minor repair of equipment and tools
- Pest and weed control, including invasive species management

Note: Tyler has the right to assign or reassign duties and responsibilities to this job at any time.

Qualifications/Requirements:

- Priority will be placed on applicants with degree focused on Horticulture, Biology, Ecology, Forestry or similar field. Applicants who recently graduated (within 12 months period) can apply.
- Able to lift 30lbs and greater required
- Work effectively in inclement weather required.

- Able to stand, walk and kneel for prolonged amount of time, expected.
- Desirable characteristics: organized, responsible/mature, team player, self-directed, focused but easy going, friendly and courteous.
- Possess good written and verbal communication skills.
- Must be able to work with volunteers.

Educational Opportunities:

- Participate in Tyler's public program offerings (i.e., wildflower walks, bird walks, butterfly walks, history walks)
- Attend field trips to regional gardens, arboreta, nurseries and/or project sites
- Learn about public garden management from educational sessions with Tyler staff
- Network with professionals

Application Deadline: June 1

Please e-mail cover letter and résumé to Julia Lo Ehrhardt, jlo@tylerarboretum.org

Interviews will commence immediately and hiring will be based on applications.
Applications will be accepted until positions are filled.