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Position Summary:

The Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust (WSGLT) and the Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources are partnering to recruit a University of Wyoming student to serve as the 2023 Conservation Intern. The Intern will gain in-depth knowledge and experience in land conservation while furthering WSGLT's mission of conserving Wyoming's working agricultural landscapes. The Conservation Intern will work with Dr. Drew Bennett in the Haub School during part of the Spring and Fall semesters and with WSGLT's stewardship team to monitor the 118 conservation easements across 296,000+ acres of Wyoming ranchlands during the summer.

This position will be part-time during the spring semester at 5-10 hours a week. It is anticipated that the candidate continues this position as a full-time employee averaging 40 hours a week from May to August. Upon mutual agreement, the position may continue part-time during the fall of 2023.

Primary Responsibilities with Haub School:

- Research conservation and stewardship programs in Wyoming and the West
- Develop outreach and communication materials related to conservation and stewardship of private lands for diverse audiences
- Maintain a weekly log throughout the duration of the internship

Primary Responsibilities with WSGLT:

- Complete annual monitoring of conserved properties
 - Work with the WSGLT stewardship team to monitor existing conservation easements (this requires frequent overnight travel from May-August)
 - o Ensure that the current condition of each property is fully documented
 - Complete follow-up paperwork and maintain files documenting the annual monitoring visit
- Appropriately elevate any landowner reserved rights requests, suspected violations, or other stewardship related issues to the Stewardship Coordinator
- Assist in drafting Baseline Documentation Reports (BDRs) for new conservation easement projects
 - Assess and document the current agricultural, ecological, and cultural conditions of new projects
- Maintain compliance with the WSGLT's policies and alignment with the Land Trust Alliance's Standards and Practices
- On occasion assist with social media content from the field and writing articles for various publications
- Other duties as assigned

Position Requirements:

- Current undergraduate or graduate student in agriculture, natural resource management, land conservation, or a related field.
- Able to overnight travel 40-50% of the time from May to August
- MS office and ArcGIS experience preferred
- Strong organizational skills and ability to work under deadlines while producing accurate work
- Ability to work independently in remote areas and in potentially hazardous terrain
- The capability to communicate professionally with landowners and other organizations
- Valid driver's license
- Good physical condition; ability to use an ATV necessary
- Joint exit interview with the Land Trust and Dr. Bennett

Location: Remote/partially remote until May. Primarily based in Cheyenne May through August.

Compensation: DOE

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Potential to earn credits towards degree

To apply:

Please email a copy of your resume (with contact information for 3 references) and a roughly 1-page cover letter explaining why you are interested in the position and how you think it will benefit your career goals to Travis Brammer (tbrammer@uwyo.edu) with the subject line "Conservation Internship Application".

Application deadline: February 17, 2023.

The Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust is an Equal Opportunity Employer.