

## COMMUNITY | EDUCATION | STEWARDSHIP

## **Youth Education Internship**

Wallowa Resources (WR) is a community-based 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation, established in 1996 with leadership from Wallowa County Commissioners. Since then, WR has worked to bring people together to empower rural communities to create strong economies and healthy landscapes through land stewardship, education, and job creation. Headquartered in Wallowa County, we strive to help communities throughout Northeast Oregon balance rural economic well-being with the stewardship and conservation of their resources, preserving each rural area's heritage of making a living from the land. We work with a wide range of public and private partners to undertake collective efforts that reduce wildfire risk, improve forest and watershed health, develop natural resources work forces, and increase effective collaboration among the region's many interest groups. Wallowa Resources is nationally recognized for its leadership, vision and on-the-ground results in land stewardship, watershed restoration and youth and workforce education www.wallowaresources.org.

Wallowa Resources is offering a Youth Education Internship through its Wallowa Mountain Institute (WMI). The primary responsibilities of this intern will be to assist in teaching and facilitating WMI summer stewardship education programs. This will include helping to prepare and execute our summer WREN programs which include both overnight camping and day programs. Our programs aim to teach youth about the natural and cultural history of Wallowa County through guided place-based lessons, hikes, games, art, and play. Interns will also have the opportunity to work with many community partners and help with education in our summer HS Youth Corp crew. This internship hopes to give the participant a wide range of experience teaching and facilitating outdoor education programs, as well as exposure to the natural resources field and first-hand experience working for a long-standing non-profit.

The Youth Education Intern will become an integrated part of the staff team and may be asked to help out with a variety of other tasks within WMI or Wallowa Resources as a whole. This could include helping out at community events that Wallowa Resources participates in, aiding in communication efforts within the community, and/or creating and enhancing curriculum/lessons for other WMI programs not mentioned. The selected candidate will leave this internship with a wealth of experience in outdoor, youth education and non-profit management and stewardship, poised to enter the workforce with new insight into innovative management and the issues facing the rural West.

## **EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES**

- Experience/interest in working with youth and being a good role model for K-12 students
- Interest in working and learning about a rural community tied to the natural resource sector
- Good communication skills, strong work ethic, and ability to work as part of a team
- Willingness to work outside in all types of weather including overnight camping
- CPR/First aid or wilderness first aid is preferred but not required

**LOCATION:** The position will be located in Enterprise, OR **SALARY:** \$18 - 20/hour, housing may be available if needed

POSTING DATE: Tuesday March 5, 2024

EMPLOYMENT DATES: 10 weeks total from June – August (exact start and end dates are flexible)

Open until filled, but priority will be given to applicants before Tuesday, April 3, 2024

**TO APPLY:** Visit our website at <a href="https://www.wallowainstitute.org">www.wallowainstitute.org</a> to fill out our internship application form.

For any questions about the position or applying, contact:

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