



Internship Opportunity Notice **Creeks to Coast Program Intern**

Los Angeles Waterkeeper (Santa Monica, CA)

Los Angeles Waterkeeper (LAW) is a nonprofit whose mission is to safeguard LA's inland and coastal waters by enforcing laws and empowering communities. LAW is seeking a highly-motivated individual to join our team as a **Creeks to Coast Program (C2C) Intern**. As a Creeks to Coast intern, you will provide support for our hands-on, fieldwork-oriented youth program.

Creeks to Coast Program (C2C): Creeks to Coast is a hands-on experiential learning program through which local High School students explore LA's interconnected waterways. With a focus on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math,) students move from in-class presentations to hands-on fieldwork, in which they measure human impacts, collect water quality data and record observations at LA River, Ballona Creek and in Santa Monica Bay's Marine Protected Areas (MPAs). Students explore our inland waterways, and also crew the Waterkeeper boat. The program provides opportunities to activate data and their fieldwork experiences as part of research projects and possible civic actions. Students follow the creeks to the coast, growing as environmental stewards of our interconnected waterways.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities:

- Assist Marine Programs Director & Watershed Programs Manager in development & implementation of the program.
- Manage scheduling and organizing logistics for multiple schools, including bus schedules, packing fieldwork supplies, and ordering meals.
- Manage and analyze data, field sheets and surveys.
- Prepare kits for our fieldwork and classroom days, and clean our field supplies.
- Perform additional office and outreach tasks with LAW Staff as needed.

Required Qualifications and Skills:

- Holding or pursuing a degree, preferably related to environmental science and/or youth education.
- Experience working with youth, particularly in educational settings.
- Interest in working outdoors in a complex urban landscape.
- Able to represent our organization with a high degree of professionalism.
- Proficiency in data processing and presentation, particularly with the Microsoft Office Suite.
- Flexibility, drive, leadership skills and the ability to work well both in a team and with minimal supervision.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.

Highly Desired Qualifications and Skills:

- Graduate student or master's degree.
- Spanish- speaking proficiency a plus.



Physical Requirements

In addition to physical requirements associated with standard office work, this position requires fieldwork, the ability to operate a motor vehicle, lift or carry weight of 50 pounds or less, collect water samples, and the ability to work outside with exposure to weather, odors, dust and pollen. We transport a lot of fieldwork supplies, and the intern will require a car to help with this transport. We drive throughout LA County for fieldwork.

Terms

Reports to: Watershed Programs Manager and Marine Programs Director.

Duration of Internship: August 2018 – May 2019, ideally aligning with academic school year.

Hours per week: Approximately 32 hours/month. The schedule will vary weekly based on our classroom and fieldwork activities with schools. The logistics are variable, and the intern will need a flexible schedule. A stipend and mileage reimbursement will be provided.

To Apply

Email your resume, cover letter and the contact information for three references to Melissa von Mayrhauser, melissavm@lawaterkeeper.org, AND Michael Quill, mquill@lawaterkeeper.org by **Wednesday, August 15, 2018**. Please use **Creeks to Coast Program Intern Position** in the subject line or address

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About Los Angeles Waterkeeper

Since 1993, Los Angeles Waterkeeper has been working to protect and restore Santa Monica Bay, San Pedro Bay and adjacent waters through enforcement, fieldwork and community action. Through our regulatory advocacy and litigation programs, LAW is helping to ensure that the strongest water quality protections are in place to protect waterways throughout Los Angeles County, while our marine and watershed programs are aimed at informing and empowering the public to take an active role in protecting our waters. LAW's team of lawyers, scientists, educators and support staff collaborate on integrated projects aimed at ensuring that one day every Angeleno will have access to swimmable, fishable and drinkable waters. We are also a proud member of the California Coastkeeper Alliance and international Waterkeeper Alliance, with whom we collaborate on promoting sustainable and equitable water policies through California and across the globe.