



## Landscape Horticulture Internship Program

### **Objectives:**

- Provide a diverse and exciting experience while working with Cranbrook Landscape staff in the management of plantings, structures, educational features.
- Facilitate opportunities to experience classroom concepts and skills as they are professionally practiced.
- To assist in the programming of Erb Garden, Saarinen House Gardens, Academy of Art Gardens and Thornlea House Gardens while enhancing individual horticultural and/or educational knowledge base.

### **Internship Overview:**

The experience will expose students to a variety of tree, shrub, and herbaceous perennial maintenance. There will also be exposure to: operation and maintenance of a variety of landscape equipment, techniques in diagnosis and correction of landscape related problems and prioritization of the completion of projects on a large public landscape. The intern will assist with the maintenance of indoor/outdoor gardens and displays.

These are temporary, hourly, seasonal positions. The work schedule will include a rotation of weekends and holidays, which will involve grounds maintenance and landscaping responsibilities.

### **Internship Opportunities:**

- **Summer Grounds Worker:** Entry level with little to no green industry experience in a green industry field of study.
- **Summer Grounds Worker II:** Requires some work/hands on experience working in some facet of the green industry with a green industry field of study.
- **Seasonal Grounds Worker:** Usually a junior or senior with a strong academic understanding of Horticulture/green industry related studies, strong experience working in the field with some volunteer and supervisory experience.

### **Responsibilities (include but not limited to):**

- Work with Cranbrook horticulture staff to coordinate and complete daily tasks.
- Operate tractor, mowers, power equipment, etc.
- Supervise, train, and lead volunteers.
- Assist with maintenance and installation of indoor and outdoor gardens under the supervision of the horticulture staff. (weeding, watering, planting, etc.).
- Assist with indoor and outdoor exhibits and displays, as needed.
- Work independently to carry out daily duties with little or no supervision.
- Perform other reasonable related duties as assigned by immediate supervisor and other management staff.
- Participate in training sessions, classes, and meetings as scheduled.

**Requirements:**

- Must pass a criminal background check.
- Must be able to lift 30 lbs. and work outdoors in extreme weather conditions.
- Valid driver's license

**Wages:**

- Interns are paid for 30-40 hours/week with the possibility of working overtime hours as needed
- \$10.00-\$12.35 per hour depending upon experience.

**Application Process:**

Students wishing to apply for a position in the Landscape Internship Program should send a resume, academic transcripts, one (1) letter of recommendation, and a cover letter indicating their anticipated graduation date, level of internship position they are applying for, and a description of how a Cranbrook internship will help them reach their career goals to:

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