

Rouge Park Student Internship

Spring/Summer (April – August)

Stipend: \$500/month

Time commitment: 10-20 hours per week, flexible hours with some Saturday events and evening meetings (Sat. April 25, May 19 Park Cleanups, meetings third Tuesdays 6:30 pm)

Background: The Friends of Rouge Park is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization that came together in 2002 to protect and improve Detroit's Rouge Park. The organization's mission is to advocate for the protection and enhancement of the natural features and habitats found in Rouge Park and to promote existing activities and facilities and appropriate development of future recreational activities. Friends of Rouge Park is a membership organization governed by a board of directors.

The Rouge Park student internships were created to increase the organization's capacity to take on volunteer projects and improve the park for residents and visitors.

Preferred Major: Environmental studies, natural resources management, parks management, community engagement or related

Skills: Good communication skills, background in management of natural areas, knowledge of invasive species and native plants, invasive species removal methods, prefer certified pesticide applicator, experience working with a diversity of volunteers, good computer skills including spreadsheets, social media, website updates. Also must be comfortable contacting corporations to ask for volunteers and donations.

Duties: Assist in developing and implementing a plan for the management of the prairie, trails and natural areas in Rouge Park. This will involve but is not limited to: prioritize projects, recruit volunteers, organize volunteer work days, train volunteers, develop core volunteers as well as corporate volunteers, develop partnerships, and solicit corporate donations and volunteers. Engage the local community in these efforts and in the park.

How to Apply: Send a cover letter and resume to: rougepark@gmail.com with "ATTN: Internship" in the subject line.