

# Paid Summer Internship

## Detroit Lakes, MN

The Pelican River Watershed District is seeking two interns for the 2017 field season, start and end dates are flexible beginning mid-May.. This is a great opportunity to experience many aspects of water quality research and monitoring, all while receiving college credit. Interns will be reimbursed \$12/hour, up to 40 hours per week. College students with interest in water resources, hydrology, or aquatic biology related fields are encouraged to apply.

**Duties:** Assist with the collection of lake and stream water quality samples using various sampling tools and the District's truck, boat/motor/trailer. Install, operate, and maintain automated monitoring equipment and take stream flow measurements. Assist with the data collection of various research projects. Conduct field inspections and inventories of shore condition of lakes, streams, and drainage systems using GIS equipment. Update databases and create reports. Participate in outreach and educational events. Perform additional administrative and/or field duties as assigned.

**Minimum Qualifications:** Current enrollment in bachelor or graduate degree program in the biology, hydrology, geology, environmental science, ecology, or other natural resources related field (preference given to students returning to school in the fall of 2017). Ability to walk on uneven terrain, lift up to 50 pounds, work in inclement weather, ability to wade in rivers and streams, and the ability to operate a boat/motor and trailer. Valid drivers license with means of transportation for business if necessary; proof of insurance required. Computer proficiency in Microsoft Office, including Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook.

**Work Environment:** Outside field work (80-90%) and office work (10-20%) with a work week up to 40 hours Monday-Friday with an occasional weekend. Frequent position changes; lifting, pushing, and pulling requirement more than 50 pounds on a regular basis; exposures not limited to heat, cold, and wet conditions. Equipment used include truck and boat trailer, water monitoring equipment, GPS/GIS equipment, laptop computers/tablets, and general office equipment.

**To apply:** Please submit an (1) employment application, (2) cover letter, and (3) resume to the District office no later than April 7th at 4:00PM. Applications are available at our office, on the District's website, [www.prwd.org](http://www.prwd.org), or by emailing [prwdinfo@arvig.net](mailto:prwdinfo@arvig.net). Question please call (218) 846-0436

Application materials can be emailed to [prwdinfo@arvig.net](mailto:prwdinfo@arvig.net) (please put 'Internship Application' in the subject line) or mailed to:

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