

SAMPLE

Internship Objectives

1. Gain new skills related to a specific activity that would be new for me. This would occur through training, allowing me to potentially lead that activity in the future.
 - a. Receive appropriate training to learn new skills.
 - b. Observe current programs using this activity to gain knowledge of different leaders' technical ability and their leadership styles with this activity.\
 - c. Gain an opportunity to take a leadership role in running that activity.
Note: The activity is contingent on the organization I work with
2. Experience hands-on opportunities in all aspects of an outdoor organization.
 - a. Participate in planning and marketing for programs.
 - b. Experience the customer service aspect of solidifying reservations for programs.
 - c. Assist in gear preparation for the actual program.
 - d. Participate in the program execution.
 - e. Aid in the evaluation process after the program has been completed.
3. Learn about the management processes of agency operations.
 - a. Observe and interact on the front line with the day-to-day employees who engaged directly with customers.
 - b. Shadow an employee at the supervisory level twice (minimally) in the course of the semester.
 - c. Shadow an employee at the senior management level at least once in the course of the semester.
4. Gain a greater knowledge of the environment in which these programs are being conducted.
 - a. Understand the different flora and fauna in the ecosystems I will work in.
 - b. Increase my knowledge of the history of the place, from both a natural perspective and human dimensions.
 - c. Learn the program history within the organization, and the relationship of that program/activity to the environment in which it occurs.
5. Work with different populations of outdoor recreation participants.
 - a. Actively engage in programs with different ages, ability levels, and genders (e.g. through observation, assisting and/or direct leadership opportunities).