

**MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS**

**INTERN PROGRAM REQUEST**

**EMPLOYER:** Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

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**DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT:** Friday, January 5, 2024

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Sunday, June 30, 2024 at 5:00 PM (postmarked)

**\*\*STUDENTS MUST BE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE\*\***

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**POSITION TITLE:** Fish Culture Technician

**# OF POSITIONS:** 1

**LOCATION(S):** Jock River Trout Hatchery -Arlee, Montana

**WORK START/END DATES:** Fall Semester 2024. September 2024 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024

**HOURS/WEEK:** Variable to accommodate academic schedule, but generally 8 to 16 hours/ week

**TOTAL HOURS FOR INTERNSHIP:** Maximum 300

**TRAINING/ORIENTATION DATES:** Begins first day of internship

**HOURLY PAY:** \$13.00/hr

**POSITION DESCRIPTION/SCOPE OF WORK:** The duties of this position expose the incumbent to all aspects of coldwater aquaculture. The Jocko River Hatchery is a Rainbow Trout Brood Hatchery that collects 5 to 6 million eggs annually from a captive brood-stock. The hatchery also supports recreational fishing programs and stocks approximately 300,000 fish annually. Timing of this position corresponds to the seasonal spawning activities of the facility.

As a Fish Culture Technician, the intern will be required to perform duties such as: feed fish, clean rearing units, pressure wash rearing units, sample, inventory and move fish lots, assist with spawning and brood stock maintenance, load distribution trucks and assist with fish plants, assist with egg and fry care, administer fin clips, assist with ground and building maintenance, and may need to use hand and power tools.

**SKILLS, ABILITIES, KNOWLEDGE NEEDED (EDUCATION; UNDERGRAD/GRAD LEVEL, SUGGESTED/REQUIRED MAJORS):**

Preference is given to students majoring in Wildlife Biology -with either a terrestrial or aquatic focus. Must be majoring in a Natural Resource/ Biological Sciences field. Preference will be given to Senior or Junior level students.

Student must be able to complete tasks physical in nature and be willing to work outdoors in inclement weather for extended periods of time. Must be able to work cooperatively with others. Must have a desire and willingness to learn.

**APPLICATION MATERIALS:**

- Resume
- Cover Letter
- References

**SEND APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:** Kate Amsden at [kate.amsden@mt.gov](mailto:kate.amsden@mt.gov)