



Spring 2020 Internship Announcement

Position: Spring 2020 Intern (unpaid/for credit)

To Apply: Email a *resume* and *cover letter* describing your background, skills, and interest in The Mountain Pact to jocelyn@themountainpact.org by January 15.

Description:

Mountain communities in the American West rely on healthy, well-managed public lands for rural economic development, stability, outdoor recreation, and cultural vitality. They face significant challenges from local impacts due to climate change, irresponsible development, and inadequate investment in public lands and infrastructure for outdoor recreation that enables access while minimizing environmental degradation. However, without an organized voice in the national public lands and climate dialogue, mountain communities will be left vulnerable. It is crucial that policymakers understand that investing in the maintenance and restoration of public lands and smart climate policies supports rural communities and economies.

This is where The Mountain Pact comes in; we fill a key niche of organizing, educating, and engaging mountain communities on federal climate change, conservation, and public lands policies. The Mountain Pact's strategy takes into account the urgent ecological and economic concerns of western mountain communities while empowering and leveraging the collective voice of these local governments to advocate for, and engage in, conservation, proactive land management, and climate resiliency programs.

We seek a talented intern who desires to learn about how a grassroots organization can influence policies to better prepare mountain communities to adapt to a changing climate.

You will get to work on real projects that will help grow our mission and efficacy. Our ideal candidate is someone who understands the dynamics of Western mountain communities, the challenges climate change and the mismanagement of public lands present to those communities, and a desire to join the national climate, conservation, and public lands dialogue to influence federal climate and conservation policy.

We value all of our interns and go the extra mile to make sure you receive a learning experience that fits your career goals. You will become knowledgeable in online communication and understanding of the right tactics to participate in the national climate, conservation, and public lands dialogue in a professional setting.

What You Will Learn:

1. Create compelling policy advocacy content that will be shared with constituent communities and by influencers.
2. Assist our Executive Director and Project Manager with research to support campaigns related to wildfire funding, oil and gas drilling on public lands, outdoor recreation



economy, Methane, National Monument protection, and the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

3. Relationship building with our online community by maintaining Facebook, Twitter, and other media accounts.
4. Plenty of additional opportunities customized for your unique skills and interests.

Location: Our organization is based out of home offices in Durango, Colorado and Bellingham, Washington. This is a remote internship position.

Commitment: 3-5 hours per week, depending on the week. We will work to accommodate the schedule for the right applicant but generally, the internship will begin in early-February and end in mid-May.

Compensation: This is an unpaid position and we require the intern to receive credit through your university.

To learn more, visit www.themountainpact.org.