

2024 Crew Leader Job Description

Spend your summer outside and inspire youth through environmental stewardship projects. Together with a fellow crew leader, you will supervise, mentor and inspire a crew of 10 teens. Gain experience in habitat restoration, trail maintenance, environmental education, and outdoor skill instruction.

Learn how to manage projects and crew safety. Use your hands, and motivate a team to help public land. Network with Naturalists and Natural Resources staff to build connections for your future.

Basic Qualifications

Enthusiasm for serving outside

Demonstrated leadership experience

Positive role model and strong work ethic

Ability to creatively motivate people

Adaptable to change

Self-starter and ability to work independently

Able to make good decisions that account for the safety and well-being of the crew

Desired Qualifications

Experience with outdoor skills – canoe, kayak, camp, etc.

Experience with environmental stewardship projects

Experience using a variety of hand tools (loppers, pruners, shovels, etc.)

Knowledge of ecology, species identification, and current issues in environmental science

Training in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion practices

This role would be ideal for candidates interested in conservation and land management, environmental science, secondary education, youth programming, parks and recreation, social work, environmental education, public service, and similar areas.

Requirements

Standing, walking, sitting, stooping or crouching, kneeling, reaching, talking, hearing

Exerting up to 50 pounds of force occasionally and/or negligible amounts of force frequently to lift, push, pull, or otherwise move objects

Willingness and ability to serve outside in an environment subject to heat and humidity, sunburn, insect bites, poison ivy, or other natural elements

Ability to pass pre-employment background check

Pre-employment drug screening may be required

Must have or obtain a Class D Driver's License or equivalent, Pesticide Applicator Certification, and First Aid Certification

- **Candidate must be 18 or older to apply**

Along with the \$4,500 living stipend, AmeriCorps members will also receive a \$1,718.25 education award upon completion of their term.

Resumes can be sent to patrice.petersen-keys@polkcountyiowa.gov prior to December 17th.