

Paid Internship Opportunity: MeadoWatch program at Mt. Rainier National Park

The [MeadoWatch program](#) is looking for a part-time intern to help with the 2022 field season. MeadoWatch is a citizen science program at Mt. Rainier National Park, working to understand how climate change is affecting the time of flowering and seed production in subalpine wildflowers. MeadoWatch is run by the [Brosi Lab](#) at the University of Washington and the [Hille Ris Lambers Lab](#) at ETH Zurich, and we work collaboratively with Mt. Rainier National Park. We are looking to hire a part-time intern for the last few weeks of the spring quarter plus the summer field season to assist with volunteer orientations, trail setup and maintenance, and coordination with the National Park Service.

In the spring, the position will primarily be remote work (see below for more details) to prepare for the field season. In the summer, the position will involve remote work as well as driving to Mt. Rainier once per week and hiking the MeadoWatch trails to do plot maintenance and collect data.

Intern duties include:

- Maintenance of online volunteer orientation materials
- Assisting with emails to volunteers
- Coordinating camping permits for volunteers
- Organizing paperwork and online forms
- Setting up trail markers on the two MeadoWatch trails
- Maintaining plots and trail markers
- Collecting flowering phenology data every week during the season

Time Commitment and Duration:

5-10 hours per week from May 23 through late June (exact dates TBD)

15-25 hours per week from late June through late August (exact dates TBD)

Exact dates will depend on snowmelt timing

Wage: \$17.50 per hour

Job requirements:

- Ability to work independently
- Interpersonal and communication skills
- Ability to comfortably hike 5+ miles at 5,000+ ft elevation
- A valid driver's license and good driving record
- Recordkeeping and organizational skills

Preferred qualifications:

- Knowledge of Pacific Northwest subalpine plants
- Plant identification skills

- Data collection / research experience
- Willingness to camp overnight at the park and some camping experience

Qualified applicants should submit a resume and cover letter to the volunteer coordinator, Annie Schiffer (aschif@uw.edu) by **March 25**. We will contact applicants for interviews shortly after that. For more information, please visit www.meadowatch.org, or contact us.