



CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP INTERN

INTERN APPLICATION | UTAH OPEN LANDS

This is an unpaid internship that runs from May 12th, 2025 to August 1st, 2025.* To apply for this internship, please complete the application below and email it to info@utahopenlands.org with the subject line "Conservation Stewardship Intern Application" alongside your resume.

*We offer some flexibility in start and end dates for internships, if this internship date range conflicts with your schedule, potential accommodations can be discussed during the interview process.

DESCRIPTION

Utah Open Lands (UOL) is seeking a focused and driven environmental science (or related area of study) student to assist with field work associated with monitoring conservation easement properties, the preparation of monitoring reports, and data collection and management. This is a great opportunity to gain valuable experience identifying plants and wildlife in the field, evaluating ecosystem and habitat health, and stewarding open space through conservation easement monitoring.

ORGANIZATIONAL BACKGROUND

We are a nationally accredited 501(c)3 non-profit land trust organization. Our organization was founded in 1990 and over the past 33 years we have protected over 64,000 acres of open space across 120 conservation easements across the state of Utah. Based in Salt Lake City, UT, our mission is to preserve, protect, and steward open space in order to maintain Utah's natural heritage and quality of life for present and future generations. This is achieved by assisting private landowners, government agencies, and communities in the voluntary preservation of the agricultural, scenic, recreational, historic, and wildlife values of open land.

INTERN TITLE

Conservation Stewardship Intern

RESPONSIBLE TO

Emily Ingram, Director of Conservation

LOCATION

The Utah Open Lands office is located at 1488 S Main Street, Salt Lake City, UT, 84115. Property locations vary but are mainly located in Salt Lake Valley, Park City, and the Kamas area. Interns will not be asked to travel to our properties farther than 1.5 hours away.

TIME COMMITMENT

Part-time, flexible schedule, average of 15 hours per week. Work will primarily occur during the conventional work week, but Intern is expected to aid with intermittent events that may occur on weekend days. Internship runs from May 12th, 2025 to August 1st, 2025.

BENEFITS

Although unpaid, this summer internship provides firsthand knowledge of land trust operations. UOL will work with interns to support requirements to earn academic credit through their educational institution. See Learning Objectives below for the specific skills/experience that this position will offer.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Intern will understand the role of Land Trusts in the global and local conservation of biodiversity.
- Intern will increase and expand identification skills of native and non-native vegetation and wildlife found in the northern Utah area.
- Intern will learn professional communication skills through communication with landowners, stakeholders, and the public.
- Intern will learn how to read the landscape and identify restoration needs across multiple conservation easement properties and understand how to begin developing a formal restoration plan.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist with fieldwork, including monitoring conservation easements and fee title-owned preserves.
- Help organize and manage stewardship files, databases, and records.
- Aid with the preparation of monitoring reports, maps, and related materials.
- Learn about and help implement Land Trust outreach programs such as restoration projects, invasive weed pulls, and bioblitzs.
- Data collection and invasive vegetation surveys, documentation through EddMaps, iNaturalist, and/or ArcGIS software.
- Review and editing of Master Plans, Management Plans, and Baseline Documentation.
- Other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Preferred education in the field of Environmental Science, Biology, Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation, or related fields of study. Equivalent paid or volunteer work experience is accepted in lieu of educational experience.
- Strong communication skills and a close attention to detail.
- Ability to work and travel independently to field locations.
- Ability to work outdoors in variable weather conditions, including the ability to walk long distances and independently navigate through various terrain and vegetative communities.
- Working knowledge of Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Microsoft Office, and Adobe software.
- Wilderness safety and survival skills.
- A passion for land conservation and the ability to represent Utah Open Lands to landowners and the public.
- Willingness to use personal cell phone on the job.
- Valid Driver's License and access to a personal vehicle.*

*Intern will be reimbursed for travel to field locations and/or events based on mileage traveled.

GENERAL INFORMATION

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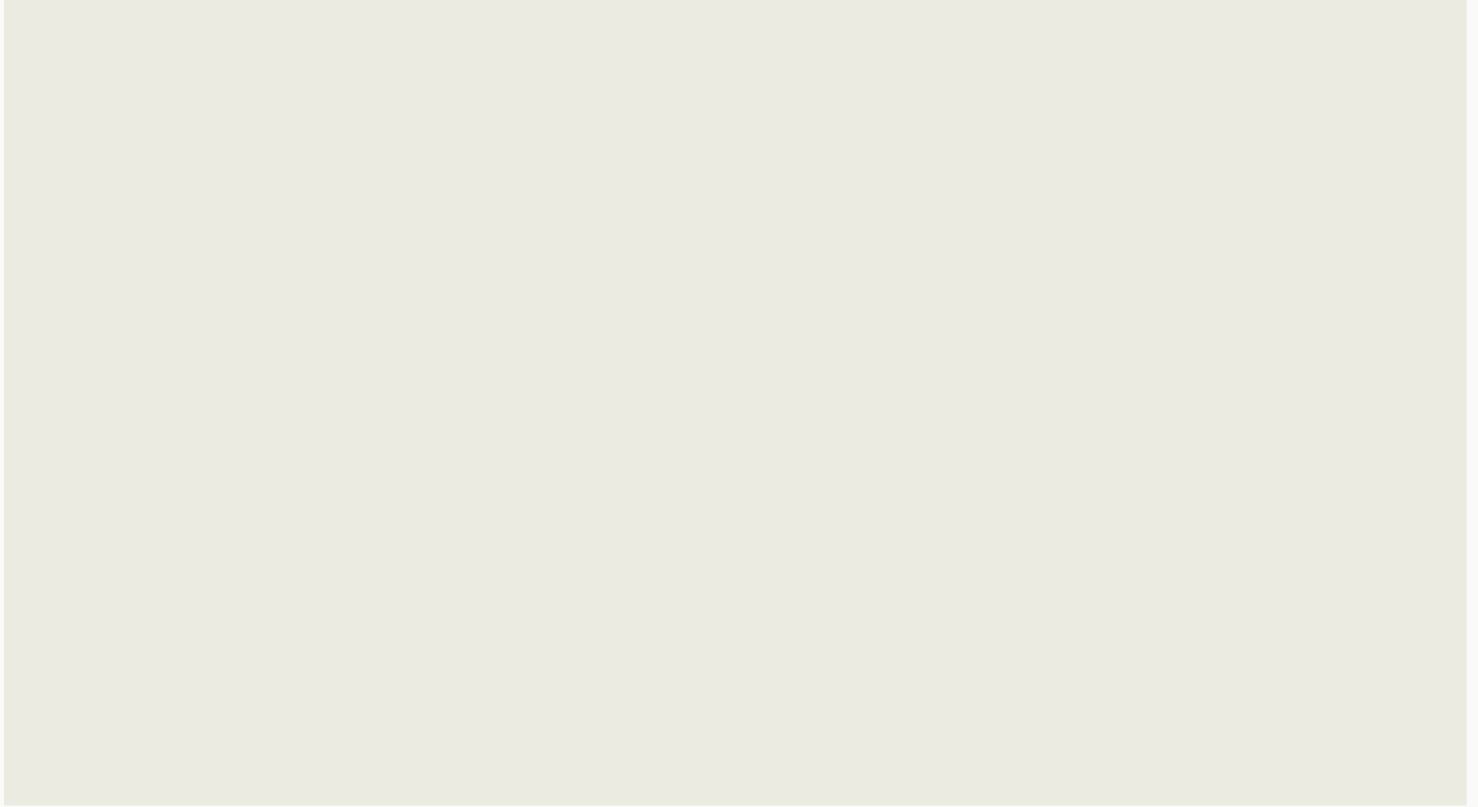
EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

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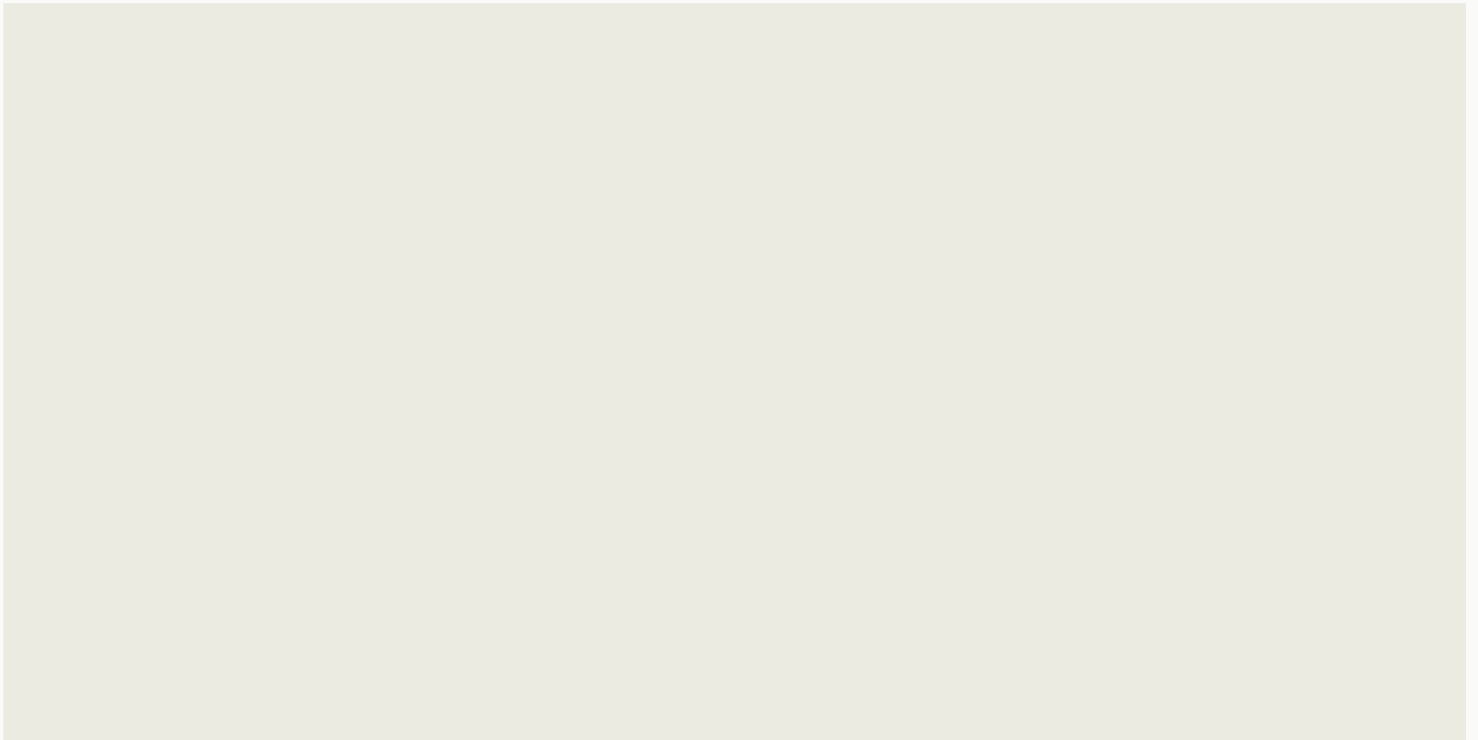
PLEASE DESCRIBE ANY AVAILABILITY CONCERNS, ALTERNATIVE JOBS, ETC.

PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR RELEVANT WORK AND/OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR INTEREST IN UTAH OPEN LANDS



IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?



FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please visit Utah Open Lands' website at UtahOpenLands.org or, email info@utahopenlands, or call 801-463-6156.