



Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Association
 Acopian Center for Conservation Learning
 410 Summer Valley Road
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Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Internships in Conservation Application Form

FIRST NAME:	MIDDLE:	LAST NAME:
Permanent address: _____		
_____		Country: _____
Phone number (with country code): _____		Permanent e-mail: _____

Date: _____
 Current address (until _____): _____
 _____ Country: _____
 Current phone (with country code): _____ Current e-mail: _____

Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ Country of birth: _____
 Of what country are you a citizen? _____ City of birth: _____
 Of what country are you a permanent resident? _____
 Highest degree earned (BS, MS, PhD, etc.): _____ Date awarded (day, month, and year): _____
 Field of study (Environmental Science, Biology, etc.): _____

Have you had a complete physical examination in the past 6 months? YES NO
 Have you had a tetanus vaccination in the past 10 years? YES NO
 Do you have a passport? YES NO If so, what is the number? _____

In case of emergency, notify: Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone (with country code): _____ E-mail: _____

For North American applicants:

- Do you have a current driver's license? YES NO
- Can you drive a car with standard transmission (stick shift)? YES NO
- Will you be bringing a car? YES NO

For international applicants:

- Have you visited the United States before (circle one): YES NO
- What is your level of written and spoken English? (circle one):
 (spoken) Excellent Good Poor
 (written) Excellent Good Poor
- Passport number (and country of issue): _____
- Name of primary beneficiary and relationship to that person: _____

Check **ONE** intern option (see attached descriptions), session preference, and year:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> International Internship in Conservation
<input type="checkbox"/> Spring (March 5-July 5) 201____
<input type="checkbox"/> Autumn (Aug 5-Dec 5) 201____

<input type="checkbox"/> Summer Field Experience
Summer (May-July) 201____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Internship
<input type="checkbox"/> Spring 201____
<input type="checkbox"/> Summer 201____
<input type="checkbox"/> Autumn 201____ |
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1. Please attach a two-page résumé indicating all college-level courses applicable to the internship program, positions held and job responsibilities, certifications (e.g., first aid, CPR, raptor care, etc.; include type of certification & expiration date) and the names, addresses and phone numbers of three references.

2. Attach a two-page writing sample that answers the following:

1. How will an internship at Hawk Mountain help you achieve your educational and conservation career goals?
2. How have your experiences prepared you for an internship at Hawk Mountain?
3. What are your career plans following an internship?
4. What are your skills, hobbies, pursuits or interests?
5. What do you consider your greatest strengths and weaknesses?
6. Discuss your most rewarding **nonacademic** experience. (This could include travel, a hobby, cultural activity, employment, community service, etc.)

Please return to: **Dr. Keith L. Bildstein**
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Hawk Mountain Sanctuary

Internships in Conservation

Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Association is a private, non-profit organization founded in 1934, whose mission is to foster the conservation of birds of prey worldwide and Appalachian environments locally. The Sanctuary offers International Internships, Summer Field Experience Internships, Academic Internships, and Leadership Internships. Interns work together with professionals in the field and gain hands-on experience in their chosen areas of conservation.

Conservation Internship and Training Opportunities at Hawk Mountain Sanctuary

Conservation Internships at Hawk Mountain date from the 1940s. As of late 2003, more than 230 interns from 43 countries on six continents have interned at Hawk Mountain Sanctuary. Many have gone on to productive careers in conservation science, science education, and natural resource management, making the Sanctuary's International internship program one of its most successful conservation actions.

Today Hawk Mountain Sanctuary's internship and training programs provide hands-on training, work, and field experiences for individuals committed to careers in natural- resource conservation. Interns train in basic techniques in science, education, and conservation, with a focus on migratory raptors. Interns work at the Sanctuary's world-class *Acopian Center for Conservation Learning*, where they have individual work stations and laptop computers with access to Hawk Mountain's databases and the Internet, and are able to use one of the largest collections of raptor literature in the world.

In addition to professional training and experiential learning, internship and training programs help develop multicultural awareness and international partnerships, essential aspects of successful large-scale conservation efforts.

The Sanctuary currently offers the following types of internships and training opportunities:

International Internships in Conservation

Four-month *International Internships* consist of exposure to and training in all aspects of Sanctuary conservation, including science, education, and conservation focused on migratory raptors, environmental survey and monitoring, data management, land management, ecotourism, membership programs and fundraising, and the use of volunteer resources. Interns work shoulder-to-shoulder with professional mentors, and each intern completes a collaborative project while at the Sanctuary.

International interns receive free housing at the Sanctuary's *Acopian Center for Conservation Learning* and a monthly stipend of \$600. These internships are offered in Autumn (5 August - 5 December) and Spring (5 March - 5 July) only. Open to undergraduate and graduate students, college graduates, and others interested in careers in conservation. Applicants must speak English, have at least two years of college course work, and exhibit a willingness and ability to interact with the public.

Summer Field Experience Internships in Conservation

Two-month *Summer Field Experience Internships* consist of exposure to and training in one or more aspects field work or data management at the Sanctuary. Emphasis is on training and, in particular, experiential learning with a focus on the Sanctuary's ecology. Interns work shoulder-to-shoulder with professional mentors, and each intern completes a collaborative project while at the Sanctuary.

Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Internships in Conservation

Summer field experience internships are designed specifically for upper-level North American college undergraduates who wish to make a contribution to Hawk Mountain's conservation efforts while learning aspects of conservation science.

Summer field experience interns receive free housing at the Sanctuary's *Acopian Center for Conservation Learning* and a monthly stipend of \$600.00. These two-month internships are offered May-July only.

Academic Internships

Academic internships are available to local college undergraduates who are participating in internship programs in affiliation with academic institutions. Academic internships occur over one or more semesters, and are individually designed according to the specific needs of the student in question. Internships involve three or more hours of effort per week on library, lab, or field projects conducted under the joint supervision of the intern's faculty supervisor and Hawk Mountain Sanctuary staff.

Interns reside at their college or homes, and receive no remuneration from Hawk Mountain Sanctuary. Academic internships are available throughout the school year and in summer.

Leadership Internships in Conservation

Leadership Internships focus on the professional development of young conservation scientists who have completed graduate training and are well established in their fields. Training focuses on the development of decision-making, team-building, and communications skills within a global context.

Leadership interns work shoulder-to-shoulder with Sanctuary professionals in the development of education curricula, the summary analysis and interpretation of regional, continental, and global datasets, organization and interpretation of Sanctuary datasets, and the training of international interns.

Unlike international interns, who apply for places in the program, leadership interns are identified on the basis of recent productivity in Conservation Science, and are invited to Hawk Mountain by the Sanctuary's professional staff.

Leadership internships occur over two to six months. Participants receive free housing at the Sanctuary's *Acopian Center for Conservation Learning* and a monthly stipend of \$1,000.00. With rare exceptions, these internships are offered in Spring (5 March-5 July) and Autumn (5 August-5 December) only.

Send inquiries for application materials to:

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