

## Land Stewardship Internship

with **D&R Greenway Land Trust** and **Friends of Princeton Open Space**

D&R Greenway Land Trust and Friends of Princeton Open Space seek two Stewardship Interns for the summer 2016 field season. The Stewardship Interns will work under the guidance and supervision of D&R Greenway Land Trust's Stewardship Staff and Friends of Princeton Open Space's Natural Resources Manager. They will assist in the day-to-day activities of managing open spaces, including but not limited to:

- Controlling invasive plant species through population eradications and monitoring
- Propagating native plants and assisting with public plant sales in D&R Greenway's native plant nursery
- Planting, watering, and protecting native plants for restoration projects
- Creating and maintaining public hiking trails
- Monitoring conservation easements and preserves
- Helping with outreach programs and volunteer workdays
- Data collection & management

The Stewardship Interns will receive valuable experience in a full range of land management activities and ecological restoration projects in forest and meadow ecosystems. They will receive training in the identification of invasive and native plants, and in the dynamics of the natural world.

**Duration:** ~11 weeks, May through July 2016 (start & end dates are flexible)

**Hours:** Monday through Friday, average of 30 hours/week for a total of 300 hours for the internship (time will be split between the two organizations)

**Compensation:** \$3,000 for 300 hours of work

**Location:** Princeton, NJ

**Requirements:** Ideal candidates will be actively pursuing a degree in ecology, natural resource management, or related fields; must possess a strong interest in conservation, desire to work outdoors in summer weather and ability to conduct physically strenuous field work. Applicants must be able to work as a member of a team, be punctual and maintain a positive attitude. Applicants must have their own transportation and live within commuting distance of Princeton; we do not provide field housing.

**To apply:** Please send a resume, cover letter and contact information for three references *in one document* to Emily Blackman at [eblackman@drgreenway.org](mailto:eblackman@drgreenway.org) by March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Your cover letter should describe why you are interested in this internship and why you feel it would advance your career objectives.

*Friends of Princeton Open Space is a non-profit organization devoted to acquiring open space for preservation, protecting natural resources, maintaining and extending trails, and providing environmental education in the Princeton area. FOPOS holds the conservation easement on the 75-acres Mountain Lakes Preserve and has "adopted" 200 acres of contiguous lands through the town's Adopt-A-Park Program.*

*D&R Greenway has been preserving land in central New Jersey since 1989 and to date it has preserved over 18,600 acres, about 3,000 of which it has retained ownership. These lands are actively managed by D&R Greenway to preserve their ecological values. D&R Greenway also maintains 27 miles of recreational trails and annually monitors conservation easements on 62 properties.*

