



NYC Parks

NYC Parks Fellowship & Conservation Corps Program

Support New York City's Parks and Natural Areas!

The NYC Department of Parks and Recreation is seeking motivated and energetic applicants to become the next generation of leaders dedicated to public service and to protecting and enhancing New York City's parks and natural resources. This program is a paid 40-week public service commitment that features professional placements throughout a diverse and dynamic city agency, as well as an ongoing seminar series featuring career development opportunities and service projects. NYC Parks manages over 29,000 acres of parkland, nearly 15% of New York City, including 2,000 parks and playgrounds, 14 miles of beach, and 10,000 acres of natural areas. For more information about NYC Parks, visit our website at www.nyc.gov/parks. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Corps Member Placement Opportunities

- Hands-on restoration of natural areas including forests, marshes and trails damaged by Hurricane Sandy.
- Special projects and support for NYC Parks' marketing, budget, legal or other administrative divisions.
- Supporting environmental education programs for New Yorkers of all ages.
- Leading community engagement efforts, volunteer restoration projects, or greening and clean-up events.
- Surveying and mapping natural areas using Geographic Information Systems (GIS).
- Connecting New Yorkers to fitness programs, recreational opportunities and special events.

Preferred Skills

- A college degree from an accredited college or university.
- Interest in New York City and its parks, public service, urban planning or the environment.
- Ability to meet deadlines, prioritize tasks, and take initiative on projects.
- Strong communication skills, including written, oral, and presentation abilities.
- Strong leadership skills and a willingness to work as a member of a diverse team.
- Willingness to work outdoors and in inclement weather.

Program Features & Compensation

- The 40-week fellowship program begins **September 8, 2014** and ends **June 12, 2015**.
- Corps Members will be paid an hourly wage of \$18.00 and are eligible for health insurance after 90 days from start.
- Participants will take part in a multi-day orientation and ongoing service projects that include an introduction to all Parks divisions and hands-on work, such as removal of invasive species, park inspections and more.
- Corps Members will benefit from ongoing professional development and career counseling opportunities.
- Fellows will also spend one month of the program outside of their placement working on a group project.

Program Requirements

- Ability to understand and be understood in English.
- Ability to work at least 35 hours per week, including occasional evenings and weekends.
- Candidates that are not current City residents are required to establish City residency within 90 days from hire to meet the NYC residency requirement.

Please note: The Corps does not provide student loans, financial aid, or scholarships. Housing is not provided.

2014–2015 Application Process Timeline

February 7, 2014: Application goes on the NYC Parks website.

March 21, 2014: Applications are due by midnight EST.

Spring 2014: Applicant interviews.

June 2014: All applicants notified of their status.

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2014 by midnight EST. Late applications will not be considered.

Please submit a completed [application form, questionnaire, and résumé](#) via the NYC Parks website. Applicants are also invited to submit an academic transcript and one letter of recommendation (optional). Applications can be completed on the NYC Parks website at <http://www.nycgovparks.org/opportunities/jobs/fellowships>.

For more information, please contact:

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