



## Department of Planning, Public Policy and Management Internship Posting Form

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### Organization Information

Name of Organization	The Nature Conservancy in Oregon
Street Address	821 SE 14 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
City, State Zip Code	Portland, OR 97214
Web Site	nature.org/oregon

### Contact Information

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### Description of Organization: Summarize mission, size of organization, and work environment.

(No more than 100 words)

The Nature Conservancy – protecting nature, preserving life – works to preserve the plants, animals and natural communities that represent the diversity of life on Earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive in all 50 United States and in more than 30 countries around the world. The Nature Conservancy has helped protect more than 494,000 acres of important habitats in Oregon.

**Internship Description:** What will the student learn? Describe anticipated tasks and responsibilities. If internship is a project, describe type and scope. **If your description exceeds 200 words, attach a separate sheet.**

The Nature Conservancy in Oregon's Government Relations department is seeking a student volunteer to help research the possible fiscal impacts to the state general fund from a proposed income tax credit bill to create incentive for conservation on private lands. A background in economics and strong research skills are required. This work can start immediately and will need to be completed by August, 2008.

The Nature Conservancy in Oregon is advancing a new tool for Oregon to protect open space, wildlife habitats, forests and agricultural land; to prevent urban sprawl; and to protect water quality. The Nature Conservancy plans to introduce a bill in the 2009 legislative session to create an Oregon Conservation Income Tax Credit. The proposal will build on experiences in about a dozen other states and will provide a income tax incentive to willing sellers to practice sustainable resource management on private lands.

This position will:

- Research the possible fiscal impacts to the state general fund under two to four possible income tax credit approaches, generally based on the concepts in SB 929 from the 2007 legislative session.
- Build comparative analyses based on “top down” projections based on experiences in other states and “bottom up” projections based on probable Oregon specific participation in a tax credit program.
- Analyze various options and help us create a report for use in the 2009 legislative session.

**Minimum Qualifications:** Describe the general knowledge and skills required (approximately 40 words). Indicate if a particular skill is preferred or required.

**General knowledge and skills required:** Strong research and analysis skills. Ability to create final report to clearly display results of project. Background in economics.

Specific Skill Area	Preferred	Required
Data analysis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GIS analysis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Report writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Technical writing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public speaking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Client/customer relations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Event planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Database development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grant writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Hours:** The academic term is 10 weeks.

Anticipated hours/week: 8- 20

**Pay:** Indicate if internship is paid and if so, whether the pay is an hourly wage or stipend.

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Hourly Wage:	Stipend:
No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

**Term of Internship:** Internships are offered on an academic term basis. Students secure their placements in the term prior to the start of the internship. The date in parenthesis indicates **your deadline** for submitting an internship posting. Indicate the academic term(s) or “ongoing” if the internship is continually available.

Fall (Aug. 15)  Winter ( Nov. 15)  Spring (Feb. 15)  Summer (May 15)  Ongoing

**Student Application Procedure & Deadline**

E-mail résumé to site supervisor  Phone call to site supervisor

Other: Complete volunteer application Application Deadline: Until filled

**Contact before March, 2008:**

Susan Hawes, Volunteer Programs Coordinator, The Nature Conservancy in Oregon, 821 SE 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Portland, Oregon, 97214: (503) 802-8100 or shawes@tnc.org.

**Contact after March, 2008:**

Molly Dougherty, Director of Volunteer Programs, The Nature Conservancy in Oregon, 821 SE 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Portland, Oregon, 97214: (503) 802-8100 or mdougherty@tnc.org.