

Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve

Summer Preservation Internship

Overview

Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve was established by Congress in 1978 "to preserve and protect a rural community which provides an unbroken historic record from the 19th century exploration and settlement in Puget Sound to the present time." It comprises 17,572 acres of Central Whidbey Island (including 4,300 acres of Penn Cove), and its boundaries follow those of the original land claims filed by settlers in the 1850s. Basic patterns of land use have remained unchanged since European-American settlement in the mid-19th century. The Central Whidbey Island Historic District, comprised of nearly 400 historic structures, shares the boundaries of the Reserve.

Preservation internships with Ebey's Landing NHR offer unique opportunities to work on a broad range of projects in the only historical reserve in the National Park Service. These internships help us complete our mission by maintaining current documentation and assessments of our historic structures and landscapes, while offering valuable practical experience to graduate students preparing for degrees in cultural/historic resource management.

General Position Description

Assist Reserve staff and other area volunteers and professionals in planning, fieldwork, and report development on various preservation projects throughout the Reserve. Duties will involve both office and fieldwork, depending on intern's skills and work plans for this year's projects, and may include exposure to hands-on historic preservation work with National Park Service preservation craftspeople during the Reserve's summer Field School.

Other activities may include technical writing; historic structures database information collection; conducting historical research; field recording; reconnaissance survey; and onsite structural investigation work. Knowledge of historic architecture, the Secretary of Interior Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties, MS software applications, digital photography, and the ability to work with a team or independently are required. Assistance with finding housing will be provided but is the intern's responsibility.

Eligible Candidates

This is a paid internship (12\$/hr) available to graduate students studying Historic Preservation, Architectural History, Cultural Landscapes or a related field. You may choose to seek academic credit with this internship, but it is not required. If you will be seeking academic credit, please let us know of any requirements we will need to fulfill. We are looking for candidates to work 400 hours during the months of June-September.

Contact

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