

Organization: Duluth Area Family YMCA | Camp Miller

Internship: **Outdoor Educator**

Reports To: Branch Executive Director, Camping Services

Location: Sturgeon Lake and Duluth, MN (Note: Housing is available at the camp for the duration of your internship).



Camp Location:

YMCA Camp Miller is a 342 acre camp located on the shores of Sturgeon Lake, about 45 minutes south of Duluth. In the summer, Camp Miller offers week-long overnight and day camp experiences. The rest of the year, Camp Miller serves as a Rental and Retreat Center. We provide environmental education and outdoor experiences for thousands of people each year. The three main programs interns will be working with this summer include a Nature Based Preschool (ages 4-5), Day Camp (ages 6-12) and Resident Camp (grades 2-12).

Position Summary:

This Intern will have an opportunity to provide curriculum development support for our school retreat program as well as summer skill building activities to include nature/ecology, hiking, off-site tripping program, outdoor living skills, mountain biking, climbing, team building initiatives course, etc.

Essential Functions:

- Establish curriculum using outcome based approaches for our outdoor education program
- Creation and execution of outdoor education programs for school groups and summer camp
- Volunteer management during events
- Special Event planning and execution
- Plans Environmental Education activities
- Plans daily schedule for on-site groups
- Runs daily staff meetings as needed
- Plans adventure trips for summer season

This is a great opportunity for any student interested in Outdoor Education and the Camping industry. When you work with the YMCA, you are connected to an extensive network of camping opportunities around the country, and around the world. This internship experience will provide an opportunity to gain skills in program development, execution, and implementation.

Required Qualifications:

1. Enthusiasm for working with youth in an outdoor setting
2. College coursework in Outdoor Education or a related field
3. Ability to work well independently and as part of a team
4. Self-reliant and motivated
5. Must possess a valid, USA state issued driver's license, an acceptable driving record and comply with YMCA driving rules to be approved to operate YMCA vehicles

Desired Qualifications:

1. Lifeguard Certification
2. Possess and maintain certification in CPR and First Aid (certification available through the Y if needed)

Compensation:

- \$100 per week living stipend
- Free housing
- Access to the Duluth YMCA and YMCA Camp Miller facilities
- Access to all camp equipment and activities including kayaks, canoes, paddle boards, archery, mountain bikes, trails, climbing tower, docks & lake swimming.

Benefits:

- We will work with you and your school to assist you in receiving college credit. It is the responsibility of the student to determine if academic credit is available through his/her/their degree program
- Professional training and skill development during summer camp staff training.
- Relevant, hands-on, diverse experience in outdoor education.
- Evaluation by professional staff.

Application Process:

- YMCA Internship Application
- Cover Letter
- Resume
- Two letters of recommendation

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