Passaic County Department of Parks Summer Internship Program 2024

Golf Course/Parks Department Dual Summer Internship

The County of Passaic Department of Parks and Recreation oversees more than 16,000 acres of preserved open space and recreational facilities including the Preakness Valley Golf Course, a 36-hole facility; 13 parks, including five celebrated designs of the Olmstead Brothers landscape architect firm; five historic homestead properties with formal gardens, including the Dey Mansion-George Washington's Revolutionary War headquarters; over 20 miles of hiking trails including Tranquility Ridge, a 2,000 acre natural landscape open space; and other unique recreational facilities.

Program description

The Passaic County Department of Parks Summer Internship Program offers a unique opportunity for students pursuing a career in the Horticulture Industry. Interns will have a chance to participate in all aspects of the Parks Department operations including golf turfgrass management, ballfield maintenance, landscape construction, formal garden care, shade tree management and hiking trail maintenance.

Interns will work under the supervision of a highly experienced leadership team with over 125 combined years of golf course agronomics experience, 100 years of parks management experience, 50 years of arboriculture experience, and 40 years of horticultural experience.

The internship will be divided into two equal learning tracts with the intern working on the golf course for 3 weeks and in the parks for 3 weeks. The Intern will be introduced to practical golf course maintenance skills including mowing, course set up, irrigation, chemical applications, tournament preparation, bunker management, and small landscape projects. Parks department experience will include ballfield game-day preparation, large-tract mowing, detail trimming, mulching, garden care, shade tree risk assessment, trail blazing and landscape construction.

Duration of internship

Internship may be flexible according to school semester schedules

Compensation

Competitive hourly rate with opportunity for overtime

Contact

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For more information regarding the county park system and golf courses please visit our web pages.

https://www.passaiccountynj.org/departments/parks-recreation

https://www.preaknessvalleygolf.com/