

Volunteer Role Profile

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Intern Working with Young People

Volunteer Manager

RSPB Team

Where you will be based

Community

Why we want you

We are looking for volunteer interns to help in our people engagement work. Inspiring people about the natural world is one of the most important things we do. We want to welcome more people to our nature reserves, and we want to make sure that those experiences are special. Our internships are specifically created to help people who are looking to gain skills and experience through their volunteering. For this internship, the work will have a people engagement focus and will involve some working with young people, like organising and running youth focussed events.

What you will be doing

- The specific tasks will vary depending on which reserve you are working on, but tasks will include:
- Co-creating, events and activities with young people.
- Empowering and enabling young people to take the lead to plan and deliver events for visitors.
- Setting up and clearing up for activities and events.
- Working with a team of volunteers to ensure events and activities run smoothly.
- Sharing your creativity/enthusiasm for nature with members of the public.
- Visitor engagement.
- Daily management of visitor centre building/facilities.

The skills you need

- The aim of our internships is to help build skills and to help people gain the experience necessary to help take steps towards a career, primarily in conservation. We are looking for individuals who are interested in saving nature and with the energy to learn. We are not looking for experts in conservation, or even people with lots of experience, if you are new to the sector, changing careers or looking for a new challenge, this could be for you.
- As this role is about working with people, we are looking for someone with excellent communication skills and a genuine interest in working with a diverse range of people.
- Some desirable skills include:
- Basic IT skills.
- Experience spending time outdoors in nature.

- Communication skills.
- Planning and organisational skills.

What's in it for you

- This role is well suited to someone looking to change their career, or someone who is just starting out, you will gain skills in event management, visitor operations and public engagement. If you want to work in nature conservation or gain skills for other sectors, internships are volunteering opportunities that are created around your needs as much as the needs of the RSPB. You will have a say in your own development, you can work with your line manager to develop the skills you need. You will learn all about how environmental charities work to save nature and start to figure out what area of work is most suited to you.
- You will be working as part of a wider team and will have the opportunity to work with lots of different people.

Disclaimer

Suitable for under 18's.

The RSPB will reimburse you for out of pocket expenses travel expenses, we will provide the equipment, training and any uniform needed for you to complete the role

In line with our Safeguarding Policy, all applications for this role are subject to an appropriate Disclosure check from the Disclosure and Barring Service (England and Wales), AccessNI in Northern Ireland, or a Protected Vulnerable Groups Scheme (PVG) registration in Scotland. Successful applicants will also be expected to register with the Update Service where appropriate. References on your suitability for this role will also be taken up.

We're now the largest nature conservation charity in the country, consistently delivering successful conservation, forging powerful new partnerships with other organisations and inspiring others to stand up and give nature the home it deserves. We rely on the support and generosity of our volunteers to make a difference

Our work stretches far beyond the UK. Wherever wildlife is in threat, we'll work with partners across the globe to help save it and give it a home.