



# THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

Leaders in Wildlife Science, Management and Conservation

## Wildlife Policy Internship

The Wildlife Society (TWS) has an opening for a paid wildlife policy intern with an interest in federal natural resource policy issues. This will be a 6 month appointment running from early January – late June 2020.

**DUTIES:** The wildlife policy intern will be an integral part of TWS' Government Affairs program. This program works to ensure 1) TWS' members are informed of policy issues and the impact policies have on their work in wildlife conservation, and 2) that wildlife science is the foundation upon which wildlife-related policy decisions are made. Interns are responsible for:

- Researching wildlife conservation and management policy issues
- Preparing background information for use in testimony, letters, or comments
- Creating and updating policy-related TWS and coalition content (Fact Sheets, Webpages, Policy Briefs, etc.)
- Representing TWS at coalition meetings
- Attending legislative hearings and agency briefings

**POSITION:** This internship is a full-time, six-month, paid position, with a stipend of \$1,800 per month. Internship is based in the Washington, D.C. area, and the intern is responsible for their own housing and insurance.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Preference will be given to applicants who have obtained or are currently pursuing a degree in wildlife management, wildlife biology, or related natural resource or policy degrees. Applicants should have excellent writing and communication skills, the ability to work independently for long periods, and show initiative in taking on new tasks. Membership and/or previous involvement with The Wildlife Society, and knowledge of the federal policy process are beneficial, but not required.

**COLLEGE CREDIT:** This internship is an excellent educational opportunity to learn about wildlife and natural resource policy and the management and engagement of non-profit organizations in the policy arena. The Wildlife Society will cooperate with universities and colleges that offer credit for internship programs; however, students must make all arrangements for receiving academic credit with their institution.

**TO APPLY:** Submit a cover letter, resume, contact information (email/phone/address/title) for three references, a college transcript (unofficial or official), your dates of availability, and a writing sample of ≤500 words that provides an overview and analysis of a specific wildlife policy issue of interest to you (e.g. legislation, agency rule, etc.). If possible, please submit all documents as one PDF. Finalists will be interviewed via video conferencing.

***Applications must be submitted by 15 October 2019.***

**Send completed applications via email (hard copies not accepted) to:**

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