Position Announcement

Scott Intern – Summer  
Number available: up to 4

Apply by: February 15, 2018

Duration: Minimum of 10 with a maximum of 28 weeks; typically starting in March to May and ending Aug. to Oct.

Compensation: $13.00 per hour (2017 rates); 35 hour work week; must be available for some weekends

Contact: Claire Sawyers, Director or Josh Coceano, Horticulturist
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The Scott Arboretum Summer Internship offers a unique work experience in a campus arboretum well-suited to an individual interested in a career in ornamental/public horticulture. On-the-job training includes exposure to garden maintenance, plant records and curation, plant propagation, and volunteer interaction. Summer interns rotate with gardening staff affording exposure to all areas of the Scott Arboretum including a sustainable rose garden, intimate garden settings of the Cunningham House, Fragrance Garden, Pollinator Garden, and Harry Wood Garden, green roofs, and seasonal container gardening featuring unusual annuals and tropical plants. Other opportunities typically include: admittance to the Woody Plant Conference, weekly plant walks, lunch with the Director, field excursions to visit area gardens, participation in the Regional Intern Outreach Service Day, equipment use demonstration, and writing Plants of the Week, a feature on the arboretum’s blog, Garden Seeds.

About the Scott Arboretum: Located in the “garden capital of the United States,” the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College has been called “the most beautiful campus in America.” The Scott Arboretum is the 300-plus acre campus of Swarthmore College, an excellent liberal arts college, located 11 miles southwest of Philadelphia.

Established in 1929, the Arboretum has been accredited by the American Alliance of Museums since 1995, a distinction held by about 30 botanical gardens/arboreta. Volunteers play a key role in activities and assist full-time staff of about 20 people in maintaining outstanding collections of woody ornamentals of over 4,000 taxa and a variety of special gardens. For more information visit www.scottarboretum.org.

To apply:
Online: go to Swarthmore College’s website: http://careers.swarthmore.edu/cw/en-us/listing/ and click on the “apply now” button and create a login to submit the application materials.

Please include a cover letter, resume, and a list of at least three references with phone numbers.

For additional information, contact:
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Position Announcement

Scott Intern - Education
Number available: 1
Apply by: February 15, 2018
Duration: 1 yr with flexibility of spring start date
Compensation: $14.70/hr in FY16/17; 35 hour work week plus excellent benefits as a Swarthmore College employee; also receives support to attend educational programs.
Contact: Claire Sawyers, Director or Julie Jenney, Educational Programs Coordinator
E-mail: Claire Sawyers - csawyer1@swarthmore.edu or jjenney1@swarthmore.edu
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The Scott Arboretum Education Internship offers unique work experience in a campus arboretum well-suited to an individual interested in a career in public horticulture. The intern has opportunities to meet and work with other professionals in the Philadelphia region, an area rich in public gardens, and to attend educational events at other institutions. This is a one-year appointment. Work activities include assisting the Educational Programs Coordinator with educational programming, special events, publications, interpretation, marketing, promotion, and working with volunteers. The intern is eligible for $5,000 in support for approved international travel.

Qualifications: Good communication skills, an attention to detail, knowledge of pertinent technology and computer programs, interest in working with volunteers and the public are also desired. Individuals must be willing to work some weekends and evenings. An interest in ornamental and public horticulture.

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