

2021 Patchen Miller Intern

The Patchen Miller Internship at UVLT embraces the science, stewardship and sense of community involved in land conservation. A Patchen Miller intern has the unique opportunity to work in the conservation field while gaining valuable experience with a nonprofit organization. A modest stipend of \$1,800-\$2,000 will be awarded. Internship length is variable but should generally incorporate the equivalent of 200-220 hours of work.

In 2021 the Patchen Miller Internship will be focused on UVLT's community impact programming. This will include supporting our Food Pantry Gardens in Charlestown NH and Norwich, VT and assisting with the launch of our Community Woodshed in Sullivan County, NH as well as other community service initiatives.

UVLT's food pantry gardens grow food for our neighbors in need, with all produce being donated to Willing Hands and other local nonprofits addressing food insecurity. UVLT's flagship garden is in Norwich, VT. In its first two years the garden has produced over 4,000 lbs of produce. The Charlestown garden will be established at Up on the Hill Conservation Area in 2021. Both gardens will bring together volunteers to produce a variety of vegetables needed by the recipient organizations.

The Community Woodshed will be located at the Charlestown location. The Woodshed processes and stores firewood resulting from timber management at UVLT's conservation areas to help heat the homes of people who need fuel assistance. Through these activities and others, our management of the conservation lands we own serves vulnerable members of our communities.

The Patchen Miller Intern will assist in many aspects of garden and woodshed operation and other community impact work, under the supervision of the Programs Director.

Tasks May Include

- Assist with the establishment of the Community Woodshed including coordinating volunteer days, managing volunteers, and routine maintenance
- Splitting, moving, and stacking of firewood
- Bed and garden maintenance throughout the season including creating rows and beds, weeding, watering, weed whacking, and pest management
- Aid in harvest and transportation of vegetables
- Assist in managing and leading volunteers on site for weekly garden workdays
- Outreach to new volunteers and partner organizations
- Create promotional and social media content including video, photos, and at least one written piece for the UVLT website/newsletter
- Other duties as assigned

Qualifications/Capabilities

- Must be comfortable working outside in a variety of weather conditions
- Must be able to lift 30 lbs
- Must have own vehicle and valid driver's license for transportation of tools, harvesting containers, vegetables, etc.
- Must be able to work independently
- Working knowledge of gardening and/or agriculture is not required but would be helpful
- Experience working with volunteers is not required but would be helpful
- Desire, ability, and experience working outdoors