



## Clean Lakes Alliance - Watershed Engagement Internship

Clean Lakes Alliance is seeking students interested in conservation, freshwater science, watershed management, environmental science, education, or science communication to serve as a **Watershed Engagement intern**.

Primary duties relate to the support and coordination of Clean Lakes Alliance watershed programs and public engagement events, reporting directly to our watershed staff. Interns may work on research and reporting and support programs such as citizen monitoring, watershed volunteer days, beach initiatives, lake science cafes, and related work.

Clean Lakes Alliance interns work closely with our professional staff to support our mission. Interns develop an understanding of and support our work to protect water in lakes Mendota, Monona, Wingra, Waubesa, and Kegonsa.

**To apply, please send a resume and letter of interest to:**

[internships@cleanlakesalliance.org](mailto:internships@cleanlakesalliance.org)

Please see [cleanlakesalliance.org/internships](https://cleanlakesalliance.org/internships) for application deadlines for fall, spring, and summer semesters. Depending on openings, we may also accept prospective interns on a rolling basis.

### About Clean Lakes Alliance

Clean Lakes Alliance is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization devoted to improving the water quality of lakes, streams, and wetlands in the Yahara River Watershed. Working closely with government agencies, residents, farmers, and local businesses, we envision a future in which everyone sees our lakes as the center of the community.

Clean Lakes Alliance values diverse life experiences and is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We encourage candidates of all backgrounds to apply. To learn more about our work and values, please visit [cleanlakesalliance.org](https://cleanlakesalliance.org).

## Major Responsibilities

- Assist with research and data analysis related to the Yahara Lakes Water Quality Monitoring Program. [<https://cleanlakesalliance.org/lake-water-quality-monitoring/>]
- Assist with the planning and implementation of *Renew the Blue* Volunteer Days. [<https://cleanlakesalliance.org/renew-the-blue-volunteer-days/>]
- Assist with Back to the Beach initiative. [<https://cleanlakesalliance.org/beaches/>]
- Assist with staffing Yahara Lakes 101 events held monthly on the second Wednesday morning of the month. [<https://cleanlakesalliance.org/events/category/yahara-lakes-101/>]
- Assist with other activities as needed to raise public awareness, increase volunteerism, and empower individual action that will benefit the lakes.

## Preferred Skills and Experience

- Undergraduate, graduate or recently graduated college student interested in freshwater science, conservation, education, watershed management, environmental science, or event coordination.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Proactive and strategic thinker.
- A flexible, resourceful, and detail-oriented person that can work in a fast-paced environment, both independently and as part of a team.
- Experience using MS Word, Excel and PowerPoint.
- Solid understanding of the Internet and social media marketing best practices.

## Work Environment and Hours

- 10-16 hours per week with occasional evening and weekend work that generally corresponds with Clean Lakes Alliance-sponsored events.
- Availability for 3-4 hours minimum work shifts desired.

- Most work is performed in a small, open office environment, with occasional off-site work during the coordination of watershed programming and engagement events.

### **Compensation and Benefits**

This position is unpaid or for-credit, with the potential to move into a paid position on a performance or as-needed basis. Please work with your academic advisor to set up any class credit arrangements.

### **Edgewood College Applicants**

Thanks to the Oscar Rennebohm Foundation's gift to Edgewood College, we are able to provide a stipend up to \$2,500 to undergraduate Edgewood College students through the Inclusive Internship Project. Please contact Richelle Kasten, Inclusive Internship Project Coordinator, at [rkasten@edgewood.edu](mailto:rkasten@edgewood.edu) to learn more.

### **Job Location**

Verex Plaza: 150 East Gilman Street, Suite 2600 Madison, WI 53703 on bus line and short walk or bike ride from UW-Madison campus.