



# Internship

**Position Title:** Steelhead Research Technician  
**Program:** Hood Canal Steelhead Project  
**Dates Available:** March 2014 – June 2014  
**Deadline:** Open until filled; submit applications as soon as possible

**Summary:** The Hood Canal Steelhead Project is a collaborative effort between NOAA Fisheries, WDFW, the Skokomish Tribe, USFWS, Long Live the Kings, and the Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group (HCSEG). This 16-year study aims to rebuild three steelhead populations in Hood Canal while evaluating the benefits and risks of hatchery supplementation as a conservation strategy. Seven streams are included in the project, and HCSEG is leading specific work on the Dewatto, Tahuya, and Little Quilcene Rivers. This position primarily involves field activities and data entry. Duties will include adult and juvenile steelhead abundance monitoring, tissue sampling for genetic and age analysis, rotary screw trap installation and operation, and collection of eggs from redds.

## Eligibility:

- Open to college students pursuing fisheries work experience
- Must have a valid state driver's license
- Must pass a background check
- Must be available for some weekends

## Terms of Employment:

Project Duration – March – June 2014 (some possible opportunities in February)  
Start Date – middle of March  
Hours per week – 10-40 including some weekends; based upon internship agreement  
Pay – stipend available; based on credit hours

## Responsibilities/Tasks:

- Participate in redd surveys in the Tahuya and Dewatto Rivers
- Assist in the operation of rotary screw traps for capturing and sampling smolts
- Transport volunteers to field locations and guide them in sampling procedures
- Monitor changes in river temperature
- Assist with egg collections
- Enter field data into MS Excel spreadsheets

## Desirable Skills/Qualifications:

- Consistent at following set protocols for sampling and data collection
- Motivated and physically able to conduct full-day stream surveys
- Able to use computer applications, such as MS Word and Excel

**To Apply:** Please submit a brief letter of interest, a current resume, 3 references, and an unofficial transcript to Dave Kangiser at [dave@pnwsalmoncenter.org](mailto:dave@pnwsalmoncenter.org).

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**Internship Opportunities ~ Research Assistants**

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PNWSC research assistant internships are available to undergraduate and graduate students. The research opportunities available have different time commitments in conjunction with corresponding credit hours and stipends. Stipends are awarded upon completion of contract hours.

<b>Time Commitment</b> (based on a 10 week quarter)	<b>Stipend</b>
100 hours; ~ 10 hrs/wk	\$250.00
200 hours; ~ 20 hrs/wk	\$500.00
300 hours; ~ 30 hrs/wk	\$750.00
400 hours; ~ 40 hrs/wk	\$1000.00

Stipends will be distributed in two installments upon the completion of committed contract hours. The first payment will be distributed at midterm and the last payment will be distributed at end of term.

*Start and end dates of projects may not coincide with quarterly school schedules.  
Start and end dates and/or weekly hour commitment for internships are negotiable and  
must be determined before work commences.*

**To apply:**

Student must have a valid driver's license and dependable transportation. Must meet all requirements listed for specific internship opportunity.

To be considered, please submit a letter of interest, current resume, 3 references, and an unofficial transcript. Eligible applicants will be contacted for an interview. All materials should be submitted to the Pacific Northwest Salmon Center.

For more information please contact: Seth Elsen (360) 275-3575 ext. 12, or by email [seth@pnwsalmoncenter.org](mailto:seth@pnwsalmoncenter.org).

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