LIVING LANDS TRUST

2026 GIS & Land Stewardship Internship

Living Lands' GIS & Land Stewardship Internship is intended to provide an opportunity for interested, self-directed individuals to gain experience working within the nonprofit sector, with a focus in land protection and stewardship. The GIS & Land Stewardship Internship will be partially tailored to the goals and interests of the successful applicant. There is, however, an expectation that the Internship will make meaningful contributions to the Trust's GIS and land stewardship efforts. Specific Intern tasks and responsibilities will be co-designed through a collaborative process at the beginning of the internship around the broad goal of helping Living Lands enhance its land stewardship program. Below is a list of potential tasks, responsibilities, and interests for example to provide a sense of what the internship might entail.

This is a remote position that requires the successful applicant to have access to a personal computer and an Esri ArcPro license and be comfortable working independently on predetermined tasks and objectives. Ideally, interns will be located within driving distance to one of Living Lands places in WI, CA, NH, or TX, though this is not a requirement.

To apply for the 2026 GIS and Land Stewardship Internship, please email a resume and personal statement, which addresses: 1) how an internship with Living Lands Trust aligns with your work and/or study goals and interests, 2) what you hope to gain from the experience, and 3) comments on one or more of Living Lands' "Guiding Principles", to David Outman at david@livinglandstrust.org. Time commitment and start/end dates for the internship are negotiable, though Living Lands' preference is for some degree of commitment over the remainder of 2026. A modest stipend is also negotiable, though this is an unpaid position. Applications accepted on a rolling basis until the 2026 GIS & Land Stewardship Internship is filled.

Example Tasks and Responsibilities

- Create, analyze, and manage geospatial data using suit of Esri ArcPro tools and apps
- Organize, analyze, and transfer information found in electronic paper files and online research to "shapefile" or similar format
- Conduct online research pertaining to land and community where Living Lands places are located (i.e. geology, soils, natural communities/ecosystems, social demographics, regional conservation plans, etc.)
- Conduct research into landscape and place history, including associated Indigenous cultures and ancestral connections
- Potential fieldwork such as biological inventorying, soil testing, GPS ground-truthing and mapping of natural and built features

Exampe Interests/Abilities

- Proficient with suit of Esri ArcPro tools and apps, and access to ArcPro or other Esri license with similar capabilities
- Field naturalist skills and abilities—biological inventory, soil testing, botany, sketching, etc.
- Familiarity with technology and tools such as GPS, Merlin ID, iNaturalist,
- Familiarity with *Landscape* (https://app.landconservationsoftware.com/) or desire to learn

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