# Nature Up North Academic Internship – Fall 2020

**Application Deadline:** Friday, April 10th (11:59 pm)

Do you love the outdoors? Are you a skilled photographer, nature writer, or tech guru? Do you have a knack for graphic design, video production, or computer science? Nature Up North, an environmental education and outreach project at SLU, is offering part-time paid internships for students to develop content for www.natureupnorth.org.

**Intern activities vary based on skill area.** We will aim to hire creative, talented students with skills in one or more of the following areas:

*Photography Videography Nature/Science Writing Journalism*

*Graphic Design*

*Environmental Education Social Media*

*Web Development Java or Python GPS/GIS*

Students with interest in nature and skills in **any** of these areas are encouraged to apply.

Academic year interns earn $8.30/hour **or** receive academic credit (optional) and are expected to devote 5-8 hours/week to the project. This is a great opportunity to become involved in the North Country community while simultaneously applying skills developed in coursework to a broader mission.

## Intern responsibilities may include (but are not limited to):

* Attending a weekly editorial/planning meeting
* Developing web content such as blog posts, photo essays, videos, journalistic pieces, graphic design work, or computer applications/programs for natureupnorth.org
* Traveling across St. Lawrence County to conduct field research, interviews, and document local environmental and cultural events.
* Contributing to website improvements on natureupnorth.org
* Maintaining and expanding Nature Up North’s social media presence
* Representing Nature Up North on campus and in the greater community

Internship activities will be led by Nature Up North staff; with additional advising from Choong-Soo Lee (Computer Science) and other faculty members. Guest speakers will add serve as a supplemental resource.

## How to Apply:

To apply for the Nature Up North academic-year internship please submit the following:

1. Completed application form (please see the form starting on the next page)
2. Cover Letter
3. Unofficial academic transcript
4. Supplemental material: May include a creative writing sample (1-2 page selection), link to personal website, YouTube/Vimeo page, computer programing example, photo samples, or other work which showcases your skill(s). This can be work for a class at SLU, and does NOT need to be new content.

## Questions? Contact Madison O’Shea (moshea@stlawu.edu), Nature Up North Project Manager

1. **General Information:**

Name: SMC: Class Year: Home Address: Phone Number:

GPA: Major GPA:

## References

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1. **Describe any skills or experiences that you feel have prepared you for the Nature Up North internship and how your skill-set will benefit the project.**
2. **As a NUN intern, you’ll have considerable freedom to propose projects of your own design that communicate ideas about the North Country environment. Describe a project you might develop, including the topic, medium, and how you would collect information (e.g. shooting video, conducting interviews, creating an app, etc.)**
3. **In which of the following areas do you feel you could contribute to Nature Up North? Please check all that apply.**

 Photography

 Videography

 Nature/Science Writing

 Journalism

 GPS/GIS

 Graphic Design

 Social Media

 Computer Science

 Web development

## Please comment on specific computer or technological skills you have, including experience with GIS, Adobe Creative Suite programs, Computer Programing (Java, Python, or R), web development, and/or social media.

1. **Spend some time exploring** [**www.natureupnorth.org.**](http://www.natureupnorth.org/) **What are two things you like about our website? What is one thing you’d suggest to improve it?**
2. **In your own words, describe the mission of Nature Up North, and what contribution you will make to advance Nature Up North’s mission.**
3. **The NUN team works collaboratively. Have you ever worked on a team before? If so, please tell us about something you liked and something you found challenging.**
4. **How many hours/week are you available to work this semester?**
5. **Do you have any questions for us?**