

Allegheny National Forest

OUTREACH NOTICE and ADVERTISEMENT

**GS-0499-03/04/05 Student Trainee (Natural
Resources Management and Biological Sciences)
Forester Intern
Allegheny National Forest
Marienville Ranger District – Marienville, PA**

THE POSITION

The Allegheny National Forest, Region 9, will soon be filling 1 **GS-0499-03/04/05 Student – Forester Intern position** located on the Marienville Ranger District – Marienville, Pennsylvania. The purpose of this notice is to inform potential candidates of the position. The job notice will be posted on www.USAJOB.com from April 25-29, 2016.

MAJOR DUTIES

The Student Intern position will report to the Timber Team Leader.

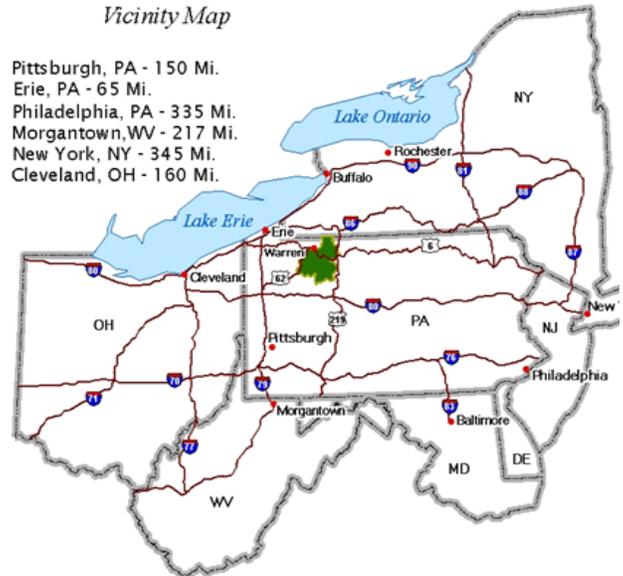
Primary duties include but are not limited to:

- ❖ Learning Timber stand layout, marking and cruising.
- ❖ Learning basics of Timber Sale inspection and administration
- ❖ Learning resource work, including wildlife surveys and habitat improvement work, non-native Invasive species treatment, recreation site and trail improvement, visitor information services, forest protection, recreation maintenance and heritage surveys.
- ❖ May contribute to prescribed burning through line preparation & burning
- ❖ Other duties as described in the position description or assigned by supervisor.

The duty station is located in Marienville, Pennsylvania.

This position may convert to a permanent- full time (PFT) GS 0460-05/07/09 Forester (Timber Sale Administration) position upon successful completion of the intern program requirements

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About the Internship Program:

This Program is designed to provide students enrolled in a wide variety of educational institutions, from high school to graduate level, with opportunities to work in agencies and explore Federal careers while still in school and while getting paid for the work performed. Students who successfully complete this program may be eligible for conversion to a permanent job in the civil service.

Interns are appointed in the excepted service, under the Schedule D authority. The program is for the duration of the student's academic attendance and students must maintain eligibility for the program requirements throughout the duration of their appointment. Interns are classified into the OPM qualification series of the appropriate 0499 occupational series and must meet the applicable qualification standards of the grade level. Initial appointments may be made to any position the student applies to and qualifies for. The duties of the position to which the student is appointed should be related to either the Intern's academic or career goals.

Interns may work either a full-time or part-time schedule provided it is a formally arranged schedule of work and school. There are no limitations on the number of hours an Intern can work per week.

ALLEGHENY NATIONAL FOREST

The Allegheny National Forest is headquartered in Warren, Pennsylvania and has two Ranger Districts. The Marienville Ranger District is located in Marienville, PA and the Bradford Ranger District is located in Marshburg, PA. The 513,000-acre Forest is the only national forest in Pennsylvania and lies within a day's drive of 1/3 of the Nation's population. It includes two Wilderness areas, two National Scenic Areas, two National Wild and Scenic Rivers, and the Tionesta Research Natural Area (the largest contiguous tract of old growth forest in Pennsylvania). A variety of recreation activities include boating, camping, hunting, fishing, ATV riding and snowmobiling that result in about 4 million recreation visitor days annually. The 12,000-acre Allegheny Reservoir provides boating, camping, and fishing opportunities.

Roughly, 1/3 of the world's supply of black cherry furniture veneer is grown on the Allegheny National Forest, resulting in a profitable timber program. Abundant fish and wildlife provide a variety of hunting, fishing, and viewing opportunities. The changing colors of the hardwood leaves each fall provide spectacular views.



MARIENVILLE COMMUNITY

Marienville is a small rural community with about 600 residents located in NW Pennsylvania in the southern part of the Allegheny National Forest. The Marienville Ranger Station, constructed in 2005, is an attractive and spacious office located north of the community. While there are limited services within the community; it does have a K-12 school, community center and swimming pool, library and a number of churches. In addition, the community has two small grocery stores, hardware store, pharmacy, satellite clinic, motels, restaurants and a gas station/convenience store.



SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES

The Surrounding communities of Bradford (54 miles), Clarion (33 miles), Kane (24 miles), Ridgway (32 miles), Tionesta (33 miles), and Warren (32 miles), are all within a 30-50 minute drive. The area's climate provides a classic display of the four distinct seasons. Summers are warm and moderately humid with average temperatures of 75-80 degrees. Fall provides panoramic views as the foliage turns spectacular colors of yellow, reds and purples. Springtime brings alive the many blooming wild flowers and other natural vegetation. The winters are moderate with average temperatures of 20-25 degrees. Annual precipitation is about 40 inches.

Bradford, Kane Warren and Clarion each have a general hospital, with several medical clinics, ambulance service, physicians of all specialty areas, dentists and nursing homes throughout the region. There are motels, radio stations, city and county offices and local retail businesses. Recreation facilities include baseball and soccer fields, all-weather track, tennis courts, health and fitness clubs, an indoor and outdoor swimming pool, four 18-hole golf courses in Warren County alone and several parks. In the immediate vicinity are trout fishing, hunting, hiking, ATV trails, bicycling, camping, and wildlife viewing. The [main industries](#) are manufacturing, social services and retail. The nearest commercial airports to Marienville are in Bradford, PA (52 minutes), Jamestown, NY (82 minutes), Erie, PA (2 hours) and Pittsburgh, PA (2.5 hours).



The area's educational opportunities consist of various elementary and high schools (K-12), and several satellite campus curriculums offered through the cooperative efforts of the Warren-Forest

County Higher Education Council and Jamestown Community College. Within 30-90 minutes drive, you will find other major universities, such as Gannon in Erie, PA; and Edinboro University in Edinboro, PA, Clarion University in Clarion, PA; Penn State University-Dubois Campus in Dubois, Pa; University of Pittsburgh-Bradford Campus in Bradford, PA; Penn State University-Main Campus in State College, PA; and St. Bonaventure University in Olean, NY.

Housing costs are among the lowest in the nation. There are rentals available ranging between \$300-\$600/month. Rental homes and apartments range from \$300-\$600 per month for an average three bedroom home/apartment. The price of single family homes range from \$40,000 and up, depending on where you live in the county. The average price is \$61,000. Warren and Forest County residents are subject to real estate taxes computed by multiplying the property assessment by the millage rate. The total millage rate includes taxes for the county, the school district, and the local municipality. Property is assessed at half the market value.

For more information about the Forest and local communities, please visit the following websites.

- [Allegheny National Forest](#).
- For [travel in Pennsylvania](#).
- For the Bradford Ranger District:
 - [Warren County](#)
 - McKean County - <http://www.allegheny-vacation.com/>
- For the Marienville Ranger District:
 - Elk & Forest County - <http://www.pagreatoutdoors.com/>

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