



OUTREACH NOTICE

USDA FOREST SERVICE TONTO NATIONAL FOREST STUDENT TRAINEE (PATHWAY NTE) POSITIONS

Natural Resources Management /Recreation, GS-0499-04 (Scottsdale and Globe, AZ)
Natural Resources Management /Recreation, GS-0499-05 (Mesa, AZ)
Information and Arts/Social Media, GS-1099-04 (Phoenix, AZ)

Respond by March 16, 2018
Vacancy Announcements Open – March 12 to March 16, 2018

The Tonto National Forest is looking to fill several Student Trainee (Pathway NTE positions) as shown above. The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to inform prospective applicants of this upcoming opportunity.

Outreach Response:

Interested applicants or those desiring further information should contact the following person and can submit the attached Outreach Notice Response Form to:

Virginia Olsen, Supervisory Administrative Operations Specialist
Email: vlolsen@fs.fed.us
Phone: 602-225-5368

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Applicants should apply at the following website: www.USAJobs.gov

- For GS-0499 positions, vacancy announcement number: 18-NCH-SUM-FSE-345-NTE
- For GS-1099 position, vacancy announcement number: 18-NCH-SUM-BIT-345-NTE

Position Duties:

GS-0499:

Types of work covered in this position include contacts with visitors to provide information about recreation regulations, opportunities, and current restrictions, assuring recreation area and trails are maintained in accordance with standards, and rehabilitating minor recreation facilities and trails.

GS-1099:

Types of work covered in this position include public affairs, writing and editing, visual information, and editorial assistance, and other miscellaneous information and arts work including social media.

About the Forest:

- The Tonto National Forest is directly adjacent to the Phoenix Metropolitan Area and is one of the most heavily visited in the nation. From the desert to the tall timber, the Tonto National Forest contains a spectacular 2.9 million acres of cactus, chaparral, ponderosa pine, and mixed conifer country north and east of Phoenix right up to the edge of the Mogollon Rim. The Forest is the fifth largest in the United States and has six Ranger Districts operating in a complex, sensitive political atmosphere. The Forest receives national attention concerning such issues as recreation, range management, prescribed fire, road management, and a host of issues related to the wildland urban interface next to the Phoenix Metropolitan Area.

OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

Pathway NTE Positions

Student Trainee

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PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone: _____

Are you currently a Federal employee? YES ___ NO ___

Current Title/Series/Grade: _____

Current Agency and Duty Location: _____

Please briefly describe education and/or attach resume:

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TYPE OF APPOINTMENTS

[OPM.GOV HIRING INFORMATION](https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/hiring-information/hiring-authorities/)

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If you are not a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee, are you eligible for appointment under any of the following special authorities?

VRA – Veterans Recruitment Appointment Authority (Disabled veterans, veterans who served in a declared war, or in a campaign for which a campaign badge has been authorized, or awarded a Armed Forces Service Medal, and separated from active duty in the past 3 years).

Military Spouse Hiring Authority (Military spouses eligible under Non-competitive Appointment of Certain Military Spouses do not have a hiring preference; however, this appointing authority does provide for non-competitive entry into the competitive service. There are three categories that determine eligibility: those who are relocating with their service-member spouse as a result of permanent change of station (PCS) orders, spouses of service members who incurred a 100% disability because of the service member's active duty service, and spouses of service members killed while on active duty).

VEOA – Veterans Employment Opportunity Authority (Allows eligible veterans to apply for merit promotion vacancies otherwise not open to external candidates without career status).

Prior AmeriCorps/VISTA (Persons are granted a one-year period to be non-competitively appointed to a normally competitive Federal position after leaving the Peace Corps or AmeriCorps VISTA with a certification of eligibility).

30% Disabled Veterans Appointing Authority (Disabled veterans who were retired from active military service with a 30% or more disability rating; disabled veterans rated by the Veterans Affairs as having a compensable service-connected disability of 30% or more).

Prior Peace Corps (Former Peace Corps volunteers who have satisfactorily completed 3 years of continuous service into career or career-conditional permanent positions).

Schedule A Disabled Persons Hiring Authority (Persons with physical or mental disabilities certified by the Veterans Administration or a State Rehabilitation Agency as eligible).

Reinstatement Rights (Agencies may reappoint people previously employed under a career or career-conditional appointment by reinstatement to a competitive service position).

Pathways Student Hiring Authority (Internship Program: current students in an accredited high school, college [including 4-year colleges/universities, community colleges, and junior colleges]; professional, technical, vocational, and trade school; advanced degree programs; or other qualifying educational institution pursuing a qualifying degree or certificate; Recent Grads Program: recent graduates who have completed, within the previous two years, a qualifying associates, bachelors, masters, professional, doctorate, vocational or technical degree or certificate from a qualifying educational institution).

Public Lands Corp (A non-competitive authority for hiring current and former Public Lands Corps members who have satisfactorily served a minimum of 640 hours on an appropriate conservation project that included at least 120 hours through the Public Lands Corps. Current or former PLC members are eligible for noncompetitive hiring up to a 120days after completion of the program).

Land Management Workforce Flexibility Act (The purpose of the Land Management Workforce Flexibility Act is to allow certain current and former land management agency employees who are serving (or who have served) under a time-limited appointment to compete for any permanent position in the competitive service at a Land Management Agency, or any other agency, under “internal” merit promotion procedures).