

**This summer help protect
a National Landmark Landscape!**

Intern at Mohonk Preserve

Water Sampling at Rhododendron Swamp - 2008 Interns: Laura Bendernagel & Meghan Haserodt with Shanana Smiley, Preserve curatorial/ research assistant



2009 SCHAEFER RESEARCH INTERNSHIP

Mohonk Preserve is one of America's largest and most historic private, non-profit nature preserves. For over 40 years the Mohonk Preserve has been protecting over 6,500 acres of the Northern Shawangunk Mountains in Ulster County, New York. The Preserve has programs in land stewardship, environmental education, and scientific research, which preserve the integrity of the Shawangunk natural landscape and promote an understanding of the environment.

Research staff carries on a broad program of ecosystem research projects including long-term studies on topics such as:

- weather
- bird, mammal, and plant observations
- acid rain and lake pH
- cultural and vegetation history

Current and long-term data are applied to our land management plan utilizing GIS and GPS technology.

The **2009 Schaefer Research Internship** at the Daniel Smiley Research Center provides interns an opportunity to work with Preserve research staff, world-class scientists and land managers on:

- land management related initiatives
- recreational impact assessment projects
- ongoing field studies
- detailed data collection & management
- library and specimen collection management & record archiving

Interns will also develop an individualized research project and complete a written report.

For information about our Research program see <http://www.mohonkpreserve.org/index.php?research>

TO APPLY:

Who may apply: Freshmen or sophomore college students from 2 or 4-year institutions with biology, ecology, geology, environmental studies/science or a related natural science major. Library/Museum Science and Data Management majors also welcome to apply. Those with no previous field or research experience are encouraged to apply. *Interns who excel may be invited to return a second year.*

How to apply: Send a copy of your resume, cover letter which clearly states your reasons for pursuing this internship and what you hope to gain as part of career goals, your transcript, and two letters of recommendation to: Paul C. Huth, Director of Research, Mohonk Preserve
Daniel Smiley Research Center, 1000 Mountain Rest Rd., New Paltz, NY 12561

Duration: 10 weeks (June to mid-August)

Stipend: \$3,200, housing available

Location: Mohonk Preserve's Research Center

Deadline for application: March 15, 2009



Dr. Vincent and Lois Schaefer established this internship "to introduce students to the fascination and almost infinite variety of the natural world by providing the setting, exposure to dedicated scientists, and opportunity to sample a wide variety of nature study."

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