



State University of New York
College of Environmental Science and Forestry
Cranberry Lake Biological Station

Scientific Illustrator Internship

Application Opens: November 15th

Application Deadline: February 20th

About the Cranberry Lake Biological Station

Cranberry Lake Biological Station (CLBS) is located in the heart of the Adirondack Park, on the ancestral lands of the Mohawk Nation of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy. A satellite campus of the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry (SUNY ESF), it has been in use as a living classroom for 105 years. CLBS provides seclusion for research, teaching, contemplation, and creative endeavors.

About the Internship

The internship is 8 weeks long and meant to engage a broader group of individuals in the ecological research conducted at CLBS. Collaborations between artists and scientists are increasing the quality of public engagement and the accessibility of the research being conducted. The cross-pollination of thoughts and ideas that comes from the incorporation of different academic and personal backgrounds can often lead to synergistic outcomes. This can lead to better research, more informed artistic representations, and increased community engagement.

The faculty and staff at CLBS are excited to provide scientific guidance and education to the interns. Each of the proposed projects below will have a faculty mentor who will help to advise and guide the intern throughout the summer, both in person and remotely. Interns will also have the opportunity to engage in a variety of courses offered at the station to inform their projects and to generally increase their knowledge of the area's flora and fauna. Since the internship is geared toward providing illustrators with a deeper scientific understanding, a strong illustration background is desired prior to the internship.

- **Eligibility:** The fellowship is open to all individuals over 18.
- **Dates:** 8 weeks with a flexible start date in late May/early June.
- **Expectations:** It is expected that the intern will work with faculty to develop one of two projects
 - Manual of Pathogens/Forest Health of the Adirondacks – this project would work to create the illustrations for what would become a manual for teaching and local communities to identify tree diseases and pests – illustrations of fungi, diseases, and entomological effects

- Aquatics Handbook – with flexibility based on intern’s interest, illustrations to create a manual for the aquatic vegetation, aquatic invertebrates, and/or phyto-/zoo-plankton
- **Compensation:** This internship will cover the cost of room and board for the duration of your stay (the equivalent of \$2,300) and a \$2,500 dollar honorarium.
- **Application Process:** Application details are below, if your application is selected you may be asked to meet for a brief conversation via zoom with the selection committee.

Application Details

The application is hosted through an online form, and the required information for the application is provided below. You are unable to save your application, so please be prepared to submit all your information at one time.

1. Cover letter identifying your educational background, relevant experiences, which of the two projects you are interested in, and why this internship is a good fit for you.
2. A single pdf file of your portfolio
3. Your curriculum vitae/resume

Evaluation

Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee made up the Cranberry Lake Advisory Board, and the advising faculty.

Notification

Writers will be notified in mid-March whether they have been offered a Fellowship. All applicants will be notified about the final status of their application.

For questions, please reach out to Terrance Caviness at tcaviness@esf.edu.