

<b>TITLE:</b>	Intern, Ecosystem Services	<b>FLSA STATUS:</b>	Non-Exempt
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Forest Sustainability/Investment Management	<b>POSITION TYPE:</b>	Internship
<b>LOCATION:</b>	Flexible	<b>SUPERVISOR:</b>	ESG Strategy Manager

## SUMMARY

Resource Management Service, LLC. (RMS) is a global forestry-centered investment manager with significant expertise in all phases of institutional timberland investing, with approximately \$4.4 billion AUM. Founded and managed by forestry professionals and owned by its employees, RMS is headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama, with offices across the U.S. South, in Australia, Brazil, and New Zealand.

## Overview

RMS maintains a robust forest sustainability program with a growing focus on ecosystem services conservation and revenue opportunities. The RMS Forest Sustainability and Investment Management teams seek to engage an intern to inform the continued development of conservation revenue efforts for the organization's forest operations in Brazil. The candidate will have the opportunity to conduct research and provide recommendations on potential next steps to RMS' ongoing initial projects.

The successful candidate will bring to the project an interest in private lands contribution to environmental and social sustainability challenges and experience with Brazilian forestry, carbon offset projects, ecosystem service mitigation projects, or other relevant experience. The Forest Sustainability Intern will have the opportunity to engage with RMS team members in both the U.S. and Brazil. Successful completion of the project will require the candidate develop a meaningful understanding of RMS' business model and organizational structure as well as RMS investment partners' objectives. The project will provide the candidate an opportunity to gain valuable experience and understanding of the inner workings of a leading global timberland investment manager.

## Responsibilities

- Evaluate ecosystem service revenue opportunities for current forest properties managed by RMS in Brazil, including carbon offset credit sales, water provisioning programs, and other ecosystem service opportunities
- Evaluate ecosystem service revenue opportunities for potential additional investment by RMS and its clients beyond existing forest properties under management, including greenfields projects
- Complete white paper, or similar product, as final internship deliverable, summarizing research and recommendations. Recommendations should be supported by thorough quantitative, financial analysis of considered opportunities
- Opportunity to present final report and recommendations to RMS senior leadership
- Opportunity to discuss findings with RMS' conservation partners in Washington, D.C.

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Currently pursuing graduate-level degree in forestry, environmental studies, international development, finance, or related field
- Experience with financial valuation methodologies, primarily discounted cash flow analysis *required*
- Knowledge of ecosystem service markets and payment programs, particularly those focused on carbon and climate *desired*
- Knowledge of Brazil forest ecosystems and/or forest industry *desired*
- Strong verbal and written communications skills
- Ability to work independently with team members in various locations including international locations
- Strong commitment to stewardship and ESG principles