

Now accepting applications!

2024 Native American Habitat Restoration Internships at Elderberry Wisdom Farm



The Native American nonprofit, Elderberry Wisdom Farm is recruiting interns for Habitat Restoration Internships this Summer. This paid opportunity provides Native Americans and other individuals of color who are pursuing conservation career pathways with an opportunity to receive culturally-tailored training, technical assistance, and mentoring. Internships integrate Traditional Ecological Knowledge with local conservation practices with support from mid-Willamette Valley partners.

A \$3,000 stipend will be provided for those completing the nine-week internship. Training includes 166 hours of indoor classroom education and experiential service learning activities being held three days a week in the summer from July 8 to August 30, 2024.

A highlight of the internship is the emphasis upon Native American habitat restoration practices that integrate Traditional Ecological Knowledge principles, climate adaptation practices, and mentoring. While engaged in service learning, you are also helping to strengthen the biodiversity and sustainability of mid-Willamette Valley ecosystems at our work sites, including wetlands, Oak prairie, and organic farmland, plus Elderberry Wisdom Farm's four-acre native plant nursery and greenhouse south of Salem, OR.

There are opportunities for interns who are motivated to continue their training so they can become employees at EWF, or become owners and operators of the habitat restoration or native plant nursery businesses we have formed. There are promising agricultural and agroforestry opportunities that includes transitioning to organic farming, dry farming, and other practices that can strengthen Native American food sovereignty as well as social and economic resilience of Native families.

To apply: Please complete the [application form](#). If you have questions, contact Sara at [contact us](#).

