

# Internship at High Rocks Summer Program for Teen Girls

The High Rocks is an award winning leadership development program based in Pocahontas County, West Virginia. The High Rocks mission is to educate, empower and inspire young women in WV.

## Internship Structure

The internship has two main components—seminars and projects, and hands-on experience working with teen girls. This two-part approach is designed to deepen the experiences of the summer interns so that they leave High Rocks with theoretical as well as practical knowledge about West Virginia, the challenges facing girls, ethical social change, and effective citizenship.

A group of four to six Interns complete a ten-week internship at High Rocks from **May 30 to early August 3, 2012**. Interns support staff in summer programs (including two 10-day camps), work as mentors with individual teens, and complete an original curriculum of reading, reflection and discussion designed to enrich their teaching work. Interns also work together on a group project designed to leave their mark at the High Rocks, and complete an individual project connecting their experiences at High Rocks with their own academic and personal expertise.

## Programming with Youth: Training Teachers and Encouraging Students

Interns receive experiential education as teaching apprentices, working with High Rocks staff to design and carry-out innovative curricula for teens. For example, in previous years interns co-taught courses in entrepreneurship, spirituality, filmmaking, women's history and construction in a camp themed around non-traditional roles for women.

## Empowering Activism through Exploration of the Appalachian Context

The High Rocks summer internship is designed to empower motivated young people with the background and the skills to work for effective social change throughout their lives. To achieve this, we have designed a series of seminars in which people can ask hard questions about the heritage and future of Appalachia and form their own opinions, ideas, and solutions.

Past Haverford interns at High Rocks include Noemi Agagianian '14, Aly Lieberman '12 and Nazzi Soroush '13. Feel free to contact them with questions. HC alumni Hazel Scott '10 (who was also an intern) and Mica Baum-Tuccillo '09 and Nathan Shelton '11 are currently working with High Rocks: contact them at [nathan@highrocks.org](mailto:nathan@highrocks.org), [Mica@highrocks.org](mailto:Mica@highrocks.org) and [hazel@highrocks.org](mailto:hazel@highrocks.org). For more information visit [www.highrocks.org](http://www.highrocks.org) and contact Janice Lion ([jlion@haverford.edu](mailto:jlion@haverford.edu)) at Haverford College's Center for Peace and Global Citizenship.

**Two interns** will be selected. CPGC will cover costs, including travel to and from High Rocks from home, local transportation, food, and summer earnings expectation for students who receive financial aid (housing is provided by High Rocks). Interested Bryn Mawr students should contact Janice Lion about opportunities (but will not be eligible for CPGC funding).

**Applications available:** [www.haverford.edu/cpgc/apply.php](http://www.haverford.edu/cpgc/apply.php)

**Deadline: February 26, 2012**