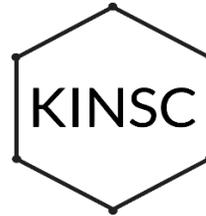


Environmental Conservation and Community-Based Sustainable Development

Trinidad and Tobago

June 1 – August 1, 2019 (*tentative*)



The CPGC and the KINSC are offering two summer internship placements in Trinidad and Tobago.

ASA WRIGHT NATURE CENTER (1 intern):

The [AWNC](#) is a “Not-for-Profit” Trust established in 1967 by a group of naturalists and bird-watchers to “protect part of the Arima Valley in a natural state and to create a conservation and study area for the protection of wildlife and for the enjoyment of all.” It was one of the first nature centres to be established in the Caribbean. Comprising nearly 1,500 acres of mainly forested land in the Arima and Aripo Valleys of the Northern Range, the AWNC’s properties will be retained under forest cover in perpetuity, to protect the community watershed and provide important wildlife habitat. The AWNC has developed its efforts in three major areas: Education, Conservation, and Ecotourism. It is now widely recognized as one of the most successful ecotourism stories in the world.

2019 summer internship:

The use of its resources to promote conservation through education and research, are among the top priorities of the Asa Wright Nature Centre. The AWNC has traditionally been a leader among the conservation NGOs with respect to conservation education and research in Trinidad and Tobago, through support of environmental publications, posters, school tours, tropical ecology research and community outreach programs.

The intern will live at the AWNC, working on conservation and education programs designed to increase the awareness and support of local people for conservation of the native wildlife, and to facilitate sustainable development in the communities surrounding the Nature Centre. These projects can and will be varied, and may include:

- Identifying food sources of the rare bird, piping guan
- Constructing a floral inventory of the Arima Valley, as represented at AWNC
- Developing environmental education modules about flood control, conservation, or wastewater treatment
- Learning how to act as an eco-tourism guide at AWNC and in other parts of Trinidad
- Helping facilitate education of students from summer camps and/or schools as necessary, to learn about conservation and environmental issues
- Assisting with the production of the Centre’s newsletter
- Assisting with the daily operations of the nature centre

This internship will require a balance of desk work, field work, and community interaction. These interns will be acting to support and assist the work of the conservation officer at AWNC, with the option of creating or starting their own conservation research project based on the Centre's needs and priorities.

GREEN MARKET SANTA CRUZ (1 intern):

The [Green Market](#) Santa Cruz (GMSC) in Trinidad formed itself as a social enterprise focusing on the UN's Sustainable Development Goal #12: changing patterns of consumption and production. Three overarching objectives inform GMSC's mission and modus operandi: 1) linking small farmers and garden growers directly to consumers; 2) fostering land-based entrepreneurship by transforming and adding value to local agricultural products; 3) providing a modern day *village green* to encourage conviviality and gentle public education about the interconnectedness of all of Nature's components and the need for their protection and conservation.

2019 summer internship:

The intern will explore the issues affecting the local food system and its sustainability, and will work on the promotion of agro-environmental education. The intern will help to manage and operate the Saturday market, and will be asked to organize workshops involving upcycling, healthy living, and artisanal activities as well as to suggest and develop campaigns to spread the "green" movement across the country with special emphasis on circular or zero waste processes.

The intern may teach sessions of our ECO-Minds project, a module designed to teach primary and secondary students organic gardening in our specially purposed children's community garden. Administrative tasks will include supporting the market managers with booking vendors into the market, telephone calls, and social media updates with special events and festivals. This internship will be a mix of hands on and outdoor experience with administrative tasks, in the valley of Santa Cruz—home to plant nurseries, horse stables, and farms.

The intern will work with the Market Director to design a project based on their knowledge and experience that meets the needs of the Market.

Helpful skills: enthusiasm; competency in organic gardening, photography, social media, public speaking and writing; organizational skills an added plus.

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Eligibility and Application: This internship is open to Haverford and Bryn Mawr students. Before applying, please visit the [Asa Wright](#) or [Green Market Santa Cruz](#) website. Applicants must submit an application form, an unofficial transcript, and a recommendation form completed by a faculty member. Apply through [CPGC's website](#). Preference will be given to students with relevant backgrounds or interests (e.g., Biology, Environmental Studies). However, students from all disciplines will be considered for these positions.

CPGC's Fellowships for Global Citizenship Program: This summer internship is part of a larger fellowship that offers a comprehensive preparatory and reentry program along with funding and support during your summer engagement with these organizations. Prior to the summer internship, CPGC staff, faculty and community partners will help students build on their passions and capacities for ethical engagement and social change action. Fellows continue their journey through a re-entry course upon returning to campus in the fall. More specific information about these crucial elements of the Fellowship program can be found on the [CPGC website](#). **Interested applicants must meet with the Manager of International Programs, Stephanie Zukerman.**

Prior to departure (April/May), Fellows will be expected to attend meetings with their cohort to build connections with each other and their hosts, and to begin the logistical and emotional preparation for living abroad, including receiving health advice from a travel doctor.

Stipend: During these eight-week programs, the CPGC will cover interns' expenses for food, flights and ground transportation, lodging, and visas. The Center will pay the Summer Earning Expectation for students with that stipulation in their 2019-20 financial aid package.

Deadline: The deadline for this internship is **Sunday, February 3, 2019** via the "Trinidad Partnerships" application on the CPGC's online application platform. **Selected applicants will be contacted for an interview in mid to late February.**