

Sierra Club's Beyond Oil Campaign Internship Program:

Job Title: Intern – Beyond Oil Campaign, Washington, DC

Department: Conservation/ Beyond Oil Campaign

Term: Interns are accepted on a rolling basis

Hours: Minimum 20 hours per week; full time preferred

Americans consume 25 percent of the world's produced oil, yet our nation has less than 3 percent of the world's proven oil reserves. If left unchecked our appetite for oil will continue to grow, and the costs of this dangerous addiction are high. Every year we send billions of dollars overseas, much of it to hostile regimes that do not share America's values. Our addiction to oil puts the entire nation at risk, and leaves our economy vulnerable to price shocks. Oil is a leading source of smog, particulate matter, and other toxic pollution that contributes to tens of thousands of deaths each year. Our addiction is also the cause of oil spills in our rivers and oceans, poisoning our drinking water sources, polluting our communities and destroying fragile ecosystems.

It's time to break Big Oil's stranglehold on our nation. The Sierra Club's Beyond Oil campaign aims to cut America's addiction to oil by stopping destructive and dirty fossil fuels and promoting real solutions such as smart transportation systems, clean cars, and clean, renewable energy that won't run out. The Beyond Oil intern will assist the campaign's team members to move our nation beyond oil-based fuels.

Job Activities/Scope: Interns will provide support to all aspects of the Beyond Oil Campaign, including its three sub-campaigns: dirty fuels, green transportation, and green fleets & electric vehicles. Past job activities have included conducting research and writing, assisting in outreach efforts, organizing program activities and events, preparing educational materials, providing administrative support, and contributing to program blogs and social media.

Required Knowledge and Skills:

- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Demonstrated ability to research complex issues
- Ability to gather and synthesize complex information and communicate it in a clear and concise manner
- Ability to work well independently or in a team setting
- Ability to converse comfortably on the phone
- Strong attention to detail
- Experience with grassroots organizing and campaigns is a plus
- Possessing good time management and organizational skills
- Enthusiastic about ending America's oil addiction!

Compensation/ Pay: All Sierra Club internships are unpaid. Participants may be able to gain college credit for their internship.

To apply, please send resume and cover letter to: jessica.eckdish@sierraclub.org with "Summer 2012 Internship Application" in the subject line.