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Department of Environmental Protection Encourages College Students to Apply for Watershed Internships

Nineteen science, engineering and planning internships available at watershed locations

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on Friday encouraged college students to apply for one of 19 paid summer internships at offices throughout the watershed. Those accepted into the summer internship program will have the chance to work alongside scientists, engineers, planners and other professionals who help run the largest unfiltered water supply in the United States.

“Our summer internship is a great opportunity for college students to explore their field of study by working alongside world-class engineers and scientists who operate and protect New York City’s water supply,” **DEP Commissioner Emily Lloyd** said. “I encourage college students from around the watershed and state to apply for these excellent internships.”

The intern positions available include summer work associated with upstate water quality laboratories, water quality field operations, engineering, wastewater facilities, community water connections, wildlife biology, natural resources, stormwater management, and science and research. The internships are located at DEP’s offices in Downsville, Hawthorne, Grahamsville, Kingston, Margaretville, Shokan and Valhalla.

Information about these internships, including online applications, can be found on the [DEP website](#).

The application deadline is April 1. Prospective interns are encouraged to

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carefully read the qualifications for each job to determine whether they meet the enrollment, GPA, coursework and other requirements.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of high quality water each day to more than 9 million New Yorkers. This includes more than 70 upstate communities and institutions in Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties who consume an average of 110 million total gallons of drinking water daily from New York City's water supply system. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP has nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and other professionals in the upstate watershed. In addition to its \$70 million payroll and \$157 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.7 billion in watershed protection programs—including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council—that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with nearly \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on [Facebook](#), or follow us on [Twitter](#).

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