

CIVIC SUSTAINABILITY FELLOW WORK-STUDY INTERNSHIP

Department: UC Green

Title: Civic Sustainability Fellow

Type: Summer internship, 40 hours/week, 8 weeks during Summer 2021

Contact: sustainability@upenn.edu

Civic Sustainability Fellows Program Overview

Penn's Climate and Sustainability Action Plan 3.0 has an explicit goal to "support the City's regional sustainability objectives and provide professional development and real-world learning opportunities to Penn students." Penn's Civic Sustainability Fellows program addresses this goal by placing undergraduate and graduate research interns in summer jobs with city agencies and non-profit organizations focused on sustainability and social equity. Penn Sustainability provides financial support for internships, and selected academic departments at Penn manage the interns. At the end of their summer internships, the students, along with their supervisor(s) in the partner organization, will present an overview of their work over the summer, what they learned in their positions, and how the projects they worked on can tie back to Penn's campus sustainability initiatives. Various staff within Facilities and Real Estate Services will serve as points of contact for the intern throughout the duration of the program to help the intern link their work to the office to similar work happening on Penn's campus.

University City Green (UC Green) Overview

This position is for **UC Green**. The student will be working with UC Green's Executive Director and other members of the organization. UC Green is seeking an enthusiastic individual to assist in their tree assessments and support the coordination of their volunteer tree pruning engagement with Tree Tenders, who have been trained through the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society (PHS). The student will also work on a carbon offset research project around carbon sequestration of various tree types and ages within the West Philadelphia tree canopy. Other projects will be assigned as needed.

Requirements and Qualifications:

- Current undergraduate or graduate work-study eligible student at the University of Pennsylvania
- Have a demonstrated interest in urban greening, sustainability, environmental education, and/or other relevant topics
- Must be able to work independently with minimal supervision
- Strong written, verbal, and interpersonal skills
- Strong research and analytical skills; ability to organize and present data
- Detail oriented and organized
- Must be collaborative and enjoy working with others

Details:

One (1) position available for 40 hours/week for 8 weeks in Summer 2021 (June 7 – July 30)

- \$14.00 per hour for undergraduate students; \$17.00 per hour for graduate students
- Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis

Students must have work-study award capable of meeting the required hours for the position.

Contact Information:

Interested students should send a cover letter and resume/CV to Elizabeth Main at sustainability@upenn.edu.