



## **Community Engaged Internship with National Park Service and Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant**

**Application deadline: April 26, 2024**

Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant (IISG), in cooperation with the National Park Service [Great Lakes Research and Education Center \(GLREC\)](#), in Porter, Indiana, is offering a Community Engaged Internship (CEI) opportunity to support conservation efforts through science communication for the park service.

The CEI intern will help support GLREC at the Indiana Dunes National Park in conducting research and developing educational and outreach resources for an awareness campaign around the issue of social trails. The intern will also work with park staff to research the extent of the social trails problem at the Indiana Dunes. They will explore the impacts of social trails on natural resources such as the federally listed Pitcher's Thistle, public awareness and perceptions, and approaches taken by other national parks.

For eligibility, students must be enrolled in an undergraduate degree at a 2- or 4-year college or university, at the time of application. IISG and the National Park Service encourage applicants from groups that are historically underrepresented in the sciences, including African-American, American Indian or Alaska Native, Hispanic and Latino/a/x, female, first-generation college students, veterans, LGBTQ+, and students with disabilities. The program is also open to students who have experienced and worked to overcome educational or economic disadvantages, and/or who have personal or family circumstances that may complicate their career paths.

The intern will be paid \$17.00 per hour for 37.5 hours per week for up to 10 weeks, starting no later than June 3, 2024, and ending no earlier than August 9, 2024.

For more information about this position and how to apply, please visit our website. For questions, contact Angela Archer at [amcbride@purdue.edu](mailto:amcbride@purdue.edu)

<https://iiseagrant.org/community-engaged-internship/>

**This opportunity is contingent upon funding.**