



Science Intern Position Description

The Florida Springs Institute (FSI) is looking for two dedicated and responsible individuals to fill the position of “Science Intern” from the week of **January 16th through , April 14th 2023**. During this time, interns are expected to provide 15-18 hours (approximately 2 days) per week of assistance to FSI staff either in the field or at the FSI office located in High Springs. This is an unpaid position. Our interns are an integral part of our team and receive hands-on training in scientific data collection, equipment use and calibration, and data entry.

As a Science Intern, you may be asked to complete the following tasks and objectives:

- Preparation for field work: gathering and calibrating equipment
- Data collection and recording at various springs and rivers, including but not limited to the Rainbow River
- Computer entry of data
- Completion of four weekend visitor use surveys during internship period
- Administrative tasks and/or assisting scientists with reports and tasks
- Greet visitors at the North Florida Springs Environmental Center and assist with educational exhibits and aquarium maintenance
- A springs-related project

These tasks will be completed under the direct supervision of FSI staff. Upon successful completion of the internship, as determined by your supervisor, you will receive a recommendation letter from the Florida Springs Institute (upon request).

An ideal candidate will:

- Be comfortable swimming, snorkeling, paddling, and/or being on a small boat in freshwater environments, such as springs and rivers with fast-moving currents;
- Have completed some college coursework in the sciences, such as biology, environmental science, zoology, geology or have relevant experience
- Have a passion for springs and their protection and restoration.

All candidates **MUST**:

- Provide their own transportation to the FSI office and/or other off-site meeting locations; and
- Have access to a laptop that can be used throughout the internship period while working at the FSI office
- Be team-oriented and work cooperatively with FSI staff and other interns

To apply, please send your cover letter, resume, and your daily availability to FSI Environmental Scientist, Bill Hawthorne, at whawthorne@floridaspringsinstitute.org or apply on our website <https://floridaspringsinstitute.org/get-involved/work-with-us/>

Applications will be accepted for this position through Friday January 6th, 2023. Applicants will be asked to attend an interview (in person or via zoom) during or following the application period.