



**The Loppet Foundation
Seasonal Environmental Interns
Job Posting**

The Loppet Foundation's mission is connecting people to the outdoors through experiences that grow community. We value anti-racism, collaboration, growth, inclusion, play, stewardship and well-being. The foundation provides quality programming for youth and adults, produces world class adventures and sporting events, and strives to create a welcoming and inclusive community in its operations in Theodore Wirth Park. The Loppet staff are dedicated and energetic individuals who work together leveraging the various aspects of the Foundation to create a whole that is more than the sum of its parts.

About the Stories of Connection Project: The Loppet Foundation's Stories of Connection Project brings together community groups and others impacted by the life of the park to explore what Theodore Wirth Park means to people from the many different cultures that call Minneapolis home. This includes understanding points of inspiration and connection, as well as challenges faced by community members such as residents of BIPOC and lower income neighborhoods bordering the park. This multi-year project will tell these stories of connection to nature through art, media, signage, programming, and events throughout the community with the goal of increasing park usership and depth of experience as more people see their own stories reflected in the identity of Theodore Wirth Park.

Job Summary: The Seasonal Environmental Intern delivers engaging nature and storytelling curriculum to North Minneapolis youth through the Loppet Adventures summer camps. They are a part of a summer outdoor pathways program for youth, which provides a paid opportunity to explore and play in Theodore Wirth Park and other North Minneapolis green spaces, focusing on nature connection, mindfulness, and environmental justice. Interns will complete a capstone project aimed at fostering personal connections with nature or advancing environmental community outreach initiatives to add their stories and experience to the legacy of Minneapolis parks

The Seasonal Environmental Intern is responsible for the following:

- Work with the Environmental Education Lead and other Loppet Staff to deliver nature and stories curriculum to North Minneapolis youth through Loppet Adventures summer camps.
- Delivering experiential learning-based environmental activities to a wide variety of participants diverse in age, ability, race/ethnicity, and socio-economic status.
- Explore and play in Theodore Wirth Park and other North Minneapolis green spaces to engage in opportunities for nature connection, mindfulness, embodied practice, and environmental justice.
- Support the advancement of environmental education curriculum by implementing learned outdoor experience, interests and values.
- Completion of a capstone project focused on fostering a personal connection with nature and/or advancing an environmental community outreach initiative.
- Attending career exploration and readiness opportunities at The Loppet and other outdoor environmental organizations.

Knowledge and Abilities:

- A strong interest in outdoor education, environmental science, outdoor recreation, environmental justice or other related outdoor interests. *(Required)*
- Working with a range of age groups, from children to young adults, in dynamic educational settings.

- Ability to cultivate and maintain positive relationships with youth.
- Ability to successfully complete individual and/or group projects. Demonstrating strong collaboration, time management, and problem-solving skills.
- Available to start by June 2, 2025

The Seasonal Environmental Interns report to the Environmental Education Lead and the Environmental Education & Justice Specialist. The hourly wage is \$16 per hour.

This position includes the following benefits: Accrued PTO, staff discount, and the ability to work and play in the magnificent Theodore Wirth Park!

*We recognize the need for a diverse workforce and understand that traditionally underrepresented communities must be centered in the work we do. As a Foundation, we are committed to building a blended team that reflects the community we serve. Hence, **we strongly encourage BIPOC, Indigenous and Queer-identified individuals to apply.***

HOW TO APPLY:

No phone calls, no walks in. To apply, please follow the instructions below precisely:

- Fill out the application form: [Apply Here](#)
 - All applications will be considered until positions have been filled
- 4 positions available
- Applicants are encouraged to apply by April 30, 2025.