

2017 NYC SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

PARKS & RECREATION-026

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AGENCY DESCRIPTION

The New York City Department of Parks and Recreation manages 14 percent of the land in New York City. These assets range from playgrounds and large parks, to tranquil wooded areas and more than 14 miles of beaches. Parks serve as New Yorkers' backyards, as vital meeting areas for outdoor play and recreation – but also as critical engines for economic growth and development.

NYC Parks' mission is to plan resilient and sustainable parks, public spaces, and recreational amenities, build a park system for present and future generations, and care for parks and public spaces to benefit New Yorkers across the five boroughs.

Through an effort to improve the quality, accessibility, efficiency and sustainability of our city parks, the Mayor's office has funded a number of equity initiatives including:

Community Parks Initiative

NYC Parks' Community Parks Initiative, at the center of the Mayor's plan, is completely redesigning and reconstructing nearly 60 parks in neighborhoods across the city with the greatest needs—35 of which are in construction.

Parks Without Borders

NYC Parks is also leading in innovative park design with Parks Without Borders, a new design approach that focuses on improving park entrances, edges, and spaces adjacent to parks. By extending parks into communities, Parks Without Borders will improve public realm.

Anchor Parks

Under Anchor Parks, the city selected eight parks that have historically received underinvestment, high surrounding population, and potential for park development. The Anchor Parks program is part of NYC Parks Commissioner Mitchell Silver's Framework for an Equitable Future, a commitment to create thriving public spaces for all New Yorkers.

The work of the agency goes far beyond the maintenance of New York City's nearly 30,000 acres. Parks is the City's leading programmer of cultural, athletic and social activities, including nature walks, concerts, learn-to-swim classes, sports clinics, historic house tours, and much more. Each year Parks hosts annual events such as WinterJam, Adventures NYC, and the Fall Field Day. In addition, Parks produces many special events, concerts and movie premieres, as well as providing free rental equipment for skating, baseball, and miniature golf.

The NYC Parks Commissioner is appointed by the Mayor to oversee and direct the work of the agency. The Commissioner appoints Deputy Commissioners, Borough Commissioners, and Assistant Commissioners who are responsible for managing the agency's divisions. These senior officials supervise the work of thousands of Parks employees. They work with elected officials to complete capital improvements for parks, playgrounds, and recreation centers. They work with the private sector to sponsor free public events. They get the community involved in Parks through volunteer initiatives and educational and athletic programming in recreation and nature centers. They prepare Parks' budget and monitor the work of Parks' ice-skating rinks, golf courses and other concessions.

UNIT DESCRIPTION

Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex is a state of the art indoor track & field facility that doubles as a recreation center. Outside of the track season, December – March, we operate as a typical recreation center hosting special events, community programming, and provide an outlet for health and wellness for the surrounding Staten Island community. Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex prides itself on developing staff to be ready for the next opportunity. If you are looking to take your resume to the next level, this is the place to start.

POSITION TITLE

Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex Sports Clinic Intern

INTERNSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Interns at the Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex will develop skills in various capacities including sports clinic operations and assisting clinic supervisory staff. They will develop skills that will equip them for full time employment by interacting daily with hundreds of constituents and participants from the

local community. This is a great opportunity to develop skills in sports management, event management, customer service, recreation and fitness. Anyone with a passion for sports, fitness, health and wellness can capitalize on this opportunity to be part of our programs.

QUALIFICATIONS / SPECIAL SKILLS / AREAS OF STUDY

Prior experience in recreation, sports or fitness would be ideal but not required. A passion to develop skills and participate in meaningful work required.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please email cover letter and resume to Leslie.Nusblatt@parks.nyc.gov

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Unpaid