

Position: Forest carbon intern (applications Due April 7th)

The [Pinchot Institute for Conservation](http://www.pinchot.org) is seeking enthusiastic interns to assist in our work on forest carbon management and markets.

Pinchot Institute Mission

Dedicated in 1963 by President John F. Kennedy, the Pinchot Institute for Conservation provides research and education on emerging conservation concerns, broadens public understanding of the importance of environmental conservation, and provides objective information to policymakers on key conservation issues. The Institute has offices at Grey Towers National Historic Site in Milford, PA, at the Resources and Conservation Center in Washington, DC, and in Portland, OR. We work in partnership with the US Forest Service and in collaboration with universities, natural resource agencies, and conservation organizations across the country and around the world.

Project:

Family forests are facing multiple threats as the U.S. undergoes the largest intergenerational transfer of private forest land in its history. The Pinchot Institute is working to help families earn new income by selling carbon through sustainable forestry and land conservation. In this way carbon markets can help alleviate pressure to over-harvest, subdivide, and convert valuable forestlands to another type of land use. Our [program](#) offers financial and technical assistance to family forestland owners interested in the carbon market. For more information about this program and its partners see our [fact sheet](#).

As part of this program, interns will work in the field to inventory forests on family owned lands in Oregon and Washington, collecting the information that will be used to determine carbon stocks, management options, and market access. Interns will then work with Institute staff and landowners to develop specialized management plans that emphasize carbon management.

Expected Work Schedule: 4 x 10 hour days/week, minimum 10 week internship

Work Expectations:

This position will be part of an inventory crew of four people. The work involves extensive fieldwork in highly variable conditions including but not limited to: heat, rain, thick vegetation, uneven, difficult terrain, insects, poison oak, etc., and accepted applicants should come equipped for such conditions.

Eligibility: Applicants should be working towards an associate, bachelors or masters degree in Forestry, Environmental Management, Natural Resource Management, Environmental Sciences, or some other related degree, and/or have prior experience with forestry fieldwork, and an interest in forest management, carbon sequestration, climate change, etc.

Location: The position is based out of Portland, Oregon but will conduct work on lands in Oregon counties (Columbia, Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington) and Washington counties (Cowlitz, Clark, Kitsap, Thurston, Grays Harbor, Mason, Lewis, Pierce, King).

Benefits:

- Stipend: \$400/week, paid bi-weekly, (minimum of 10 weeks)
- Transportation provided
- Training on the intricacies of forest carbon markets, carbon inventory, use of cutting edge inventory technology, and general field forestry.
- Experience engaging landowners and working with experienced forestry professionals crafting innovative management plans.



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Anticipated Start Date: May 30, 2017

Application Process: Interested applicants should send a resume and cover letter to Darshini Prabhakher at dprabha@pinchot.org by April 7th. Please include all relevant experience and a brief explanation of why you are interested in the project.