

Habitat Management & Conservation Remote Internship



About us

Para La Tierra is dedicated to the conservation of fragile habitats in Paraguay through scientific research, community engagement, and environmental education. We are based in the beautiful city of Pilar - The City of Birds - and work across Southern Paraguay, from the expansive Ñeembucú Wetland Complex to the endangered Atlantic Forest.

At Para La Tierra, we specialize in training students and graduates in the skills they need to take the next step in their career, either towards higher education or into the job market. Over the past decade, we have hosted over 1,500 interns, each of whom has made a tangible contribution to the conservation of the fragile species and understudied ecosystems of Paraguay.

Project Brief

Conservation in the 21st century requires an integrated approach that prioritizes people and planet. Alongside your supervisor, you will be tasked with identifying an area of study that connects your interests and expertise with the on-the-ground work of Para La Tierra. The program will culminate with a presentation of the intern's findings to the Para La Tierra team.

Remote internships were designed with the aim of offering students the opportunity of gaining experience in project design and execution, learning literature review skills and techniques, gaining experience in scientific writing and gaining overall expertise that would help them advance in their career, while simultaneously driving positive change in Paraguay through conservation research.

Example projects

- Best practices in community-based conservation
- Communication strategies for wetland conservation
- Approaches to Atlantic Forest conservation through flagship species
- Applied entomology: an important conservation tool
- We are open to new ideas: let us know your skills and interest and we can help you design your project

Intern's Responsibilities

You are responsible for designing your project and carrying out the necessary research work. You will also be tasked with writing a scientific report and preparing a mid-placement and final presentation to expose your project results. You will meet with your project supervisor from Para La Tierra via Zoom every week to keep track of progress and for feedback on your work.

The expected total duration of this project is approximately 150h with a suggested daily work effort of 3h to 5h. This project is intended for the Winter Term period.

Cost: \$260/month

Costs include weekly one-on-one coaching through the project development process, through emails and Zoom meetings, access to a short-list of relevant scientific literature, co-authorship on any publication arising from your work, a certificate of completion and a contribution to PLT's conservation and education projects.

How to apply

Duration and internship dates are flexible. If you are interested, please send your CV and cover letter to sophia@paralatierra.org. For more information, please visit our website www.paralatierra.org.