



# Internship Opportunity

<b>Position Title:</b>	<b>Steelhead Research Technician</b>
<b>Program:</b>	Hood Canal Steelhead Project
<b>Dates Available:</b>	<b>March 2018- June 2018</b>
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	Continuous until filled; submit applications as soon as possible
<b>Location:</b>	The Salmon Center in Belfair, WA

## Summary:

The Hood Canal Steelhead Project is a collaborative effort between NOAA Fisheries, WDFW, the Skokomish Tribe, USFWS, Long Live the Kings, and HCSEG. This 16-year study aims to rebuild three steelhead populations in Hood Canal while evaluating the benefits and risks of hatchery supplementation as a conservation strategy. Seven streams are included in the project, and HCSEG is leading specific work on the Dewatto, Tahuya, and Little Quilcene Rivers.

This position primarily involves field activities and data entry. These will include adult and juvenile steelhead abundance monitoring, tissue sampling for genetic and age analysis, and rotary screw trap installation and operation. The Steelhead Research Technician will be working with HCSEG staff and volunteers as well as other partners in the project.

## Eligibility:

- Open to college students pursuing fisheries work experience
- Must have a valid state driver's license
- Must pass a background check
- Must be available on weekends

## Applicant should be:

- Consistent at following set protocols for sampling and data collection
- Motivated and physically able to conduct full-day stream surveys
- Able to use computer applications, such as MS Word and Excel

## Responsibilities/Tasks:

- Participate in redd surveys in the Tahuya and Dewatto Rivers
- Assist in the operation of rotary screw traps for capturing and sampling smolts
- Transport volunteers to field locations and guide them in sampling procedures
- Monitor changes in river temperature
- Assist with egg collections
- Enter field data into MS Excel spreadsheets

## Terms of Employment:

Project Duration:	March- June 2018 (some possible opportunities in February)
State Date:	Middle of March 2018
Hours per week:	10-40 hours/week including weekends; based upon internship agreement
Pay:	Stipend available; based on credit hours

## To Apply:

Please submit a letter of interest, a current resume, and an unofficial transcript to Seth Elsen at [seth@pnwsalmoncenter.org](mailto:seth@pnwsalmoncenter.org). Questions and comments may also be directed to this address or by calling (360) 275-3575 Extension 12.