

Trails Internship details:

The YTA/GEM Corps Trail Work Internship (nonpaid) will give each enrolled intern the opportunity to work side by side with experienced field workers including crew leaders from Prescott National Forest and Yavapai Trails Association. The following requirements would be expected:

- 1) Interns are 18 or older (We can work with a younger intern. However, we will need additional registration information, and the intern may not have all the opportunities available to them). Interns must be able to work some weekday and Saturday hours and have their own transportation.*
- 2) Complete registration via either YTA or GEM Corps enrollment processes (Enrollment is below)*
- 3) Read and understand the Prescott National Forest (PNF) " Job Risk Assessment" and fill out a volunteer form for PNF.*
- 4) Interns will complete 100 hours of field service within 12 months. A minimum of half (50%) of this requirement to be served with YTA. This service may include trail maintenance (brushing), trail building, or trail "adjacent" work (examples: camping work trips or helping PNF wildlife, Arizona Elk Society, etc.) An Intern may complete the rest of their hour requirement with GEM Corps alone or they may choose to work some of their requirement with other recognized trail work groups (OTHG, PMBA, BCHCAZ)*
- 5) Yavapai Trails Association will grant a one-year membership to each intern so they may take advantage of all field experience available from this organization.*
- 6) Once you have registered you will be contacted by the program administrator. This administrator/mentor will be your go-to person for all things regarding your internship. The administrator will help you to coordinate work dates and experiences. You may have the opportunity to help one of our local nonprofit organizations with events, fund raising, coordination of a trail workday or even enjoying a board meeting or two. All these experiences will help you to understand what goes into preservation and maintenance of a well-loved trail system.*

Yavapai Trails Association and GEM Corps have amongst their employees and volunteers a vast array of experienced individuals. Interns will have the opportunity to work with people of many different backgrounds, from PHDs to certified professionals to outdoor recreation enthusiasts. All while gaining the understanding of what it takes to build and keep a trail system (and the lands surrounding it) open and usable for all community members seeking a healthy outdoors lifestyle.

If you have questions regarding this program please email us at: Yavapai.trails@gmail.com