



PEC Fellowship Program Fellowship Application

Do you want to make a difference in your local community?

Are you interested in land conservation and land use issues?

Are you currently enrolled in college or graduate school?

Would you like to gain real-world experience working with an effective non-profit?

If so, the Piedmont Environmental Council invites you to apply to our Fellowship Program. The Fellowship Program is a seven week program offering students a fully immersive, hands-on experience in PEC's nationally recognized, highly successful regional movement for land conservation and land use planning.

While interest in environmental stewardship or growth and community planning is advised, we welcome applicants from a variety of academic fields. Applicants in the past have represented a variety of courses of study, including environmental science, government, economics, human & environmental relations, historic preservation, religion, anthropology, geography and much more...

The Fellowship Program is designed to provide Fellows with comprehensive exposure to all aspects of PEC's work throughout the Piedmont region, state and nation.

June 22-July 17 - Academic Session:

The first four weeks of the program are focused on academic activities including orientation, classroom instruction from PEC staff, field trips, guest lectures, assigned readings and participation in a PEC staff meeting.

July 20-August 7 - Individual Practicum Session:

The final three weeks of the program allow the Fellows to develop and use their new skills in a "real world" setting to complete an individual practicum project of personal interest, yet related to PEC's mission. Fellows will complete the practicum with the assistance of a mentor from PEC or a partnering organization.

PEC is pleased to provide accepted 2009 Fellows assistance with the following:

- Local housing
- Classroom facilities
- Activities and special project expenses
- Small living stipend

To participate in PEC's Fellowship Program, please complete and submit the following application. Applications must be received by March 31st, 2009.

**PEC Fellowship Program
Attn: Fellowship Coordinator
PO Box 460
Warrenton, VA 20188**



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Student Information:

First Name _____ MI _____ Last Name _____

Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____ Age _____ Sex _____

Current Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Permanent Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Academic Information:

Current Institution of Study _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Please circle the year of study that you will have completed by Summer 2009: 1 2 3 4

___ undergraduate ___ graduate (check one)

Expected date of graduation _____ / _____ / _____

Program of Study/Major _____

Minor _____

Current GPA _____

Academic Honors/Awards _____

Extracurricular Activities _____

Academic Reference 1:

Name _____

Academic Title _____

Current Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Relationship to applicant _____

Other Reference 1:

Name _____
Title _____
Current Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Telephone _____ Email _____
Relationship to applicant _____

Other Reference 2:

Name _____
Title _____
Current Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Telephone _____ Email _____
Relationship to applicant _____

Work Experience:

Please list work experience, beginning with your most recent employer.

Employer _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Telephone _____

Dates of Employment _____ / _____ / _____ to _____ / _____ / _____

Position _____

Duties _____

Reason for ending employment _____

Employer _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Telephone _____

Dates of Employment _____ / _____ / _____ to _____ / _____ / _____

Position _____

Duties _____

Reason for ending employment _____

Employer _____
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Telephone _____

Dates of Employment _____ / _____ / _____ to _____ / _____ / _____

Position _____

Duties _____

Reason for ending employment _____

Special Skills/Training:

Computer/Office _____

Other _____

Fellowship Program:

How did you hear about the Piedmont Environmental Council's Fellowship Program?

Why are you interested in fulfilling a fellowship at the Piedmont Environmental Council?

What do you hope to achieve in fulfilling a fellowship at the Piedmont Environmental Council?

Please rank the following in order of interest: (1: most interesting – 10: least interesting)

Land Conservation ____

Watershed Advocacy ____

Urban Planning and Transportation ____

Communications ____

Grassroots Organizing ____

Development ____

Relations with Local and State Government ____

Website Maintenance and Design ____

Agriculture and Local Food ____

GIS Mapmaking ____

Please thoughtfully consider and answer the following questions in 150 words or less.

1. Imagine yourself ten years from today: Where do you work and what is your position? Where do you live and what are you involved with?

2. Imagine yourself ten years from today: What have you experienced since completing your undergraduate/graduate study? What do you look forward to experiencing or achieving?

Please choose one of the following quotes and on a separate sheet of paper write a 500 word reflection addressing the sentiment of the quote as applied to environmental stewardship and community action at a local and national level.

“Hallowed ground it is; hallowed ground it can and must remain as it moves forward into the twenty-first century.” –James M. McPherson

“If you lose the Piedmont’s farms, forests, and small towns, what is left? Everybody, rich or poor, will share the loss.” –Edward T. McMahon, *The Conservation Fund*

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.” –Margaret Mead

Certification:

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all information that I have provided in this application is true and complete.

Signature

Date

We appreciate your interest in our Fellowship Program and look forward to reviewing your application. PEC will contact you upon receipt of application, at which time we may request a current resume and one letter of recommendation. Final notification of acceptance as a 2009 PEC Fellow will be mailed by no later than May 10, 2009.

In the meantime, we invite you to stay informed on PEC’s current work and the most pressing issues facing the Piedmont region by visiting our website and signing up for email updates at www.pecva.org.