

Sonoran Pronghorn Summer 2023 Internship



This summer internship position is a collaboration between the University of Idaho, the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the National Park Service (NPS) [Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument](#). The intern will assist the NPS and the USFWS with fecal pellet sampling of the endangered Sonoran Pronghorn. The field season begins May 30th and ends July 11th. For interested students, the summer internship can be extended for the full summer by working in our on campus wildlife genetics lab. It also could be used to develop an ECB senior thesis project.

The work will occur in remote desert areas and in the heat of the summer months. Conditions can be challenging, hot, and field work will begin in the early morning. The intern will be traveling by vehicle and on foot to pronghorn watering holes and congregation areas to collect fecal pellets and may also assist the USFWS and NPS staff in other research and monitoring activities.

Shared housing will be provided by the USFWS at Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge in Ajo, AZ.

Financial Support - This is a stipend-based internship. The student will receive a stipend of \$400/week paid to student accounts plus up to \$500 in travel costs to and from Arizona.

Minimum qualifications: Intern must have a valid drivers license. Intern must be able to walk long distances (typically 1 to 5 miles round trip, up to 10 miles in one day) over uneven terrain in hot conditions, carrying sampling supplies.

Application Requirements: Interested applicants should submit: 1) a letter of interest, 2) a resume which includes contact information for 3 references, and 3) unofficial transcripts in a single PDF to Patience Mateer (pmateer@uidaho.edu) by Wed, Jan 18th.

Additional questions: Lisette Waits: lwaits@uidaho.edu, 885-7823.

For more information on the Sonoran Pronghorn Recovery Program see:

<https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4750>