



The University of Idaho Rangeland Center is seeking two University of Idaho undergraduate students to conduct research and help with ranch operations at the Rinker Rock Creek Ranch. The ranch is a 20,000-acre property west of Bellevue, ID managed in cooperation with The Nature Conservancy and the Wood River Land Trust. Interns will work with a team of students, researchers, and partner organization staff on projects related to wildlife resources, livestock management, rangeland monitoring, and riparian restoration.

Description

- Assist with research projects at Rinker Rock Creek Ranch:
 - Upland plant community monitoring
 - Analyzing annual grass invasion and fire risk
 - Sampling ecosystem level processes
 - Using drones to measure vegetation structure
 - Measuring the effects of riparian restoration on stream and vegetation attributes
- Assist with ranch management and land stewardship tasks.
- Gain experience in measuring plant communities, rangeland and riparian monitoring, livestock handling techniques, and ranch management.
- Support educational and outreach events at the ranch.
- Work outdoors and live in a wall tent at the ranch camp with other interns.
- Salary is \$12 to \$14/hour depending on skills and experience. This will be a full-time job with 40-hour work weeks. Holiday pay is not included.

Required Qualifications:

- Must have completed a minimum of one semester (12-credits) at a college or university and be enrolled for the fall 2020 semester. Courses in soil science, animal husbandry, or plant identification are desirable.
- Self-motivated and able to work independently.
- Willing to do physical work in an outdoor setting in variable conditions
- Pass a criminal background check and driver's record check.
- The intern will be expected to complete a final report of their internship.

To Apply:

- Applications will be reviewed beginning **February 22nd** ; open until filled.
- Send: 1) Letter of interest; 2) Resume; 3) Copy of transcripts; and 4) Names and contacts for three references to Cameron Packer (cpacker@uidaho.edu). For more information or answers to questions, call (208) 885-4394.

Work Dates:

- May 24th through August 13th, 2021.