



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

2017 Directorate Resource Assistant Fellows Program (DFP)



In 2017, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) will partner with the Student Conservation Association (SCA) to administer the FWS Directorate Resource Assistant Fellows Program (DFP) for students interested in a conservation career. The DFP is designed to provide a fellowship opportunity for undergraduate, graduate, and recent graduate students to participate full time for at least 11 weeks on projects that meet the qualification of a rigorous fellowship program.

Application instructions, deadline date, and preview of DFP projects are available: www.fws.gov/workforwildlife/

Questions? Contact a FWS Recruiter at dfp@fws.gov

Apply today!

1. Complete your fellowship application online at the Student Conservation Association (SCA) by **Feb 10th 2017**:



<http://thesca.force.com/members/NewRegistration>

2. Add the promo code/application code **PO-00722397** to your application.

3. Attach a resume and copy of your college transcripts (unofficial is acceptable)

4. Once submitted your application is reviewed by SCA for your eligibility for the 2017 DFP

5. Once screened and qualified the SCA will send you an email inviting you to apply to specific DFP projects.

****NOTE:** SCA application questions contact Melissa Fisher: mfisher@thesca.org

Benefits:

- Housing in select areas/locations.
- Living allowance – paid bi-weekly.
- Travel allowance.
- 1 week orientation at the FWS [National Conservation Training Center](#) in Shepherdstown, WV.
- Hands-on experience.
- Fellows may be eligible for a permanent position in the FWS after successfully completing their fellowship and degree requirements.

Eligibility:

- US citizen or permanent resident.
- Must be 18 years of age.
- Males born after December 31, 1959, and are at least 18 years of age, must register with the Selective Service System, unless they meet certain exemptions.
- Students who are enrolled or accepted for enrollment in an undergraduate (rising seniors) or graduate, or higher degree program. GPA must be **3.0** or higher for undergraduates, graduates, or higher degree.
- Available for 12 weeks (1 week orientation/11 week fellowship) beginning in mid-May or mid-June 2017.
- Must be able to pass a criminal background check.
- Demonstrated interest or experience in the conservation field.

Reasonable Accommodation Policy Statement: Federal agencies must provide a reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities where appropriate. Applicants requiring reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and/or hiring process should contact the hiring agency directly. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.