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Summer Intern Position Opening

Where: Erie Bird Observatory, based at Presque Isle State Park, Erie, PA

When: Start mid-May, continue for 10 weeks

Pay rate: \$600/week

Housing: To be arranged, at Gannon University, approx. \$120/week plus parking
Must have own vehicle. Mileage during work is reimbursed at federal rate.

About Erie Bird Observatory: EBO is a small nonprofit organization that was founded in January 2018. We are based at Presque Isle State Park (Erie, PA) but work throughout northwest Pennsylvania.

This position: Eligible applicants include those enrolled in undergraduate programs in relevant fields, those who graduated within six months previous to starting the internship, and those at a similar career phase.

Duties include assisting with shorebird monitoring, monitoring Spotted Sandpipers and Bank Swallows nesting along the outer side of the Presque Isle peninsula, assisting with bird banding, conducting vegetation data in marshes, and other projects depending on current work at EBO. Read more about last year's intern at <https://www.eriebirdobservatory.org/intern-insights>.

Candidates must:

- Be able to work independently as well as with others
- Be able to identify at least some birds by sight and sound (stronger candidates have excellent bird identification skills)
- Desire to develop field skills related to studying wild birds.
- Be able to walk several miles on loose sand
- Be able to swim and be comfortable kayaking in marshes alone

To apply, please send a letter of interest and a resume to: ssargent@eriebirdobservatory.org
Position open until filled. Please describe your bird identification experience and skills in the letter.