

**The McLaughlin Reserve is recruiting Reserve Management Interns
(five 16-week positions, April 25 – August 14, 2016, dates somewhat flexible)**



The reserve management interns (5) will assist reserve staff and visiting researchers with invasive species management, ecological restoration, research, and general reserve management at the University of California McLaughlin Reserve (nrs.ucdavis.edu/McL/index.html) and in the surrounding Berryessa-Snow Mountain National Monument. Interns will participate in diverse projects including (1) the removal and control of invasive species; (2) restoration of grassland, oak woodland, and riparian ecosystems; (3) post-fire cleanup following the Lake County wildfires of 2015; (4) collecting and managing data for experiments on invasive species, grassland ecology, and climate change; (5) mapping with GPS and ArcGIS; (6) propagating and planting of native species; and (7) assisting with general reserve management tasks such as fencing, irrigation, and trail maintenance. Although interns will frequently work as a team, individual interns may have primary responsibility for particular projects.

Requirements: Interest in pursuing a career in conservation or restoration biology or natural lands management. Coursework in biology and the ability to learn the grassland flora of the McLaughlin Reserve. Ability to enjoy long days of repetitive but meaningful work (e.g., hand weeding). Willingness to apply chemical herbicides. Basic computer skills and ability to learn new software applications. Familiarity with ArcGIS is desirable. Ability to work alone in remote areas. Ability to hike up to one mile in rough terrain with a 35-lb backpack sprayer. Ability to operate a 4 wheel drive vehicle safely on unimproved dirt roads.

Interns will be provided dormitory-style housing at the reserve and a \$120 weekly food stipend. Internships are offered in partnership with the Student Conservation Association and interns may be eligible for an Americorps education credit.

To apply, please send curriculum vitae, a letter describing your interest in the position and future goals, and the names and e-mail of two references to Paul Aigner at paaigner@ucdavis.edu. Positions open until filled.