

DJ&A offers summer internships for students seeking hands-on experience supporting a wide range of planning and design projects within a collaborative multidisciplinary environment. A Landscape Architect intern will work alongside licensed landscape architects and design professionals on current projects. We are currently hiring Landscape Architecture interns in Lakewood, CO. This internship provides a valuable opportunity to develop practical skills while contributing to real-world projects.

### **About DJ&A**

Founded in 1973 by two former U.S. Forest Service employees, DJ&A is a multidisciplinary consulting firm delivering engineering, environmental, surveying, and planning services nationwide. We serve federal agencies such as the National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, and Federal Highway Administration, as well as state DOTs, municipalities, and private clients. Today, DJ&A employs 180+ professionals across offices in Missoula and Bozeman, MT; Vancouver, WA; Lakewood, CO; Albuquerque, NM; and Reno, NV.

# **Internship Goals**

Our goal is to provide interns with meaningful opportunities in the A/E/C industry. As a Landscape Architecture Intern, opportunities may include:

- Training in landscape architecture and planning needs for the variety of DJ&A's clients.
- Assisting with project tasks such as research, site analysis, conceptual design, drafting plans, and preparing renderings and presentation materials.
- Participating in client and internal team meetings.
- · Gaining experience with industry software.
- Work alongside a variety of project managers and landscape architecture professionals.

### **Internship Overview**

- Locations: Lakewood, CO
- **Duration/Schedule**: 10–12 weeks (May–August), 40 hours/week. Mon–Thu 7:00 am–5:00 pm, Fri 7:00 am–4:00 pm, every other Friday off. Overtime may be required.
- Compensation:
  - Competitive hourly wage
  - Overtime at 1.5x hourly rate
  - Work-related travel covered by DJ&A
  - \$500/month housing stipend for relocation

## **Internship Program Outline**

Each intern is placed with a discipline group and supervisor for mentorship and support.

#### Week 1 - Orientation

- Introduction to DJ&A staff and company
- Program overview and expectations
- Goal-setting
- · Review of handbook, policies, and safety
- Overview of ongoing projects in the intern's focus area
- Initial work assignments

#### **Internship Presentation**

Interns prepare a 10–15 minute presentation delivered at the end of the summer during a staff meeting, summarizing goals, accomplishments, projects, and tasks.

### Weeks 2-11 - Project Work

- Hands-on assignments in the intern's area of interest
- Collaboration with staff and project managers
- Exposure to multiple disciplines within DJ&A
- Non-project time used for office tasks and presentation development (data entry, figure/table prep, literature review)

#### Week 12 - Wrap-Up

- Completion of remaining project work
- Final internship presentation during DJ&A's weekly staff meeting

