

## Internship Opportunity with Statewide Environmental Organization Arthur V. Savage Internship Program

The Arthur V. Savage Internship Program offers an opportunity for undergraduates, graduate students, and recent graduates to work in Albany with the Parks & Trails New York (PTNY) staff to shape policies, organize grassroots constituents and provide stewardship for parks, trails, and other outdoor recreational facilities. The program provides interns with valuable insight and first-hand experience in the environmental field.

**Specific Responsibilities:** Assist with a variety of program, research, communications, and outreach tasks related to protecting, promoting and enhancing New York's parks and trails. Projects include:

- **Events** assist in organizing and promoting the statewide I Love My Park Day, Canal Clean Sweep, and Park and Trail Advocacy Days.
- **Communications** assist with print and e-publications, website content and production, and other outreach.
- Advocacy & Research assist with PTNY's advocacy efforts for state parks funding, funding for bike and pedestrian projects, and other park- and trail-related issues.

**Qualifications/Skills**: Well organized, excellent oral and written communications skills, multi-tasker, strategic thinker, experience with Microsoft Office and web-based tools. Demonstrated interest/experience in environmental, conservation, parks, trails, and/or bicycle/pedestrian issues.

**Hours**: Part-time, approximately 20 hours/week, beginning late August and running through December with the possibility of continuing in the spring. Hours are flexible in terms of days and times but must be within regular work week hours (M-F, 9-5).

**Work Environment:** Friendly and hard-working staff. Casual atmosphere.

**Compensation:** \$10-\$12 per hour, based on experience. May be used for college internship requirements.

**To Apply:** Please send a cover letter, resume, and references (including a former employer or supervisor of volunteer work) by **July 30, 2016** to <a href="mailto:careers@ptny.org">careers@ptny.org</a> with the subject line "ASI Internship." Include proposed work schedule in cover letter.

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PTNY is the leading statewide organization working to promote, enhance and protect a network of parks, trails and greenways across the state. We work with lawmakers to advance policy issues, assist local communities realize their visions for greenspace, lead bike tours along the Erie Canalway Trail and through the Hudson Valley, and work with grassroots groups to build their capacity to steward parks and trails.

Arthur V. Savage (1926-2012) was a distinguished lawyer-conservationist, with a particular devotion to the preservation of open spaces and public parks in New York State. During the last half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, Arthur co-founded or led a large number of nonprofit organizations that shape environmental laws, protect natural resources, and educate the public about conservation values. He was a 20-year member of the PTNY Board of Directors. To honor the life and legacy of one of New York State's most influential environmentalists, PTNY is proud to offer the Arthur V. Savage Internship Program.