

Year Long Internship Program Description

Rumney Bible Conference & White Mountain Ranch Ministries of the NEF (New England Fellowship of Evangelicals, Inc.) Rumney, New Hampshire

Our History:

The New England Fellowship of Evangelicals (NEF) was founded in the late 1890s by Dr. J. Elwin Wright and dedicated in 1903 as the First Fruit Harvesters. In the early 1900s, in addition to the summer conferences, they established a home for unwed mothers (1908), a home for abandoned children (1909) and the Bethany Home for the Aged (1922). In 1931 Camp Cathedral Pines, a summer camp for girls, began. The following year (1932) Pine Ridge Camp for Boys was established.

In the 1930s Dr. Wright and Dr. Harold Ockenga of Park Street Church in Boston started a series of meetings called Youth for Christ which continued until 1944 when another ministry was born--the Youth for Christ that still exists today. Later these two men established the National Association of Evangelicals (NAE) and the World Evangelical Fellowship (WEF). Rumney has hosted many evangelical leaders as speakers—Jack Wyrzten, Billy Graham, Charles Stanley, John MacArthur, Edith and Francis Schaeffer, Charles Fuller, etc.

Today our diverse ministries include the Rumney Bible summer conference, White Mountain Ranch, White Mountain Snow Camp and our Retreat Center which facilitates weekend and week-long retreats for adults and young people year-round.

Purpose:

Our internship program is ideal for individuals who are deeply committed to Christ and desire to join our camp and conference center staff to help provide an environment where volunteers and campers can experience Christ. The goal, for the year, is for interns to grow in a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ, to work hard to support the ministries of the NEF, and to be equipped with tools that will contribute to their future success in the field of camping ministry.

Intern Qualifications:

This program is for men and women who wish to explore God's calling in their lives as it relates to camping ministry. All interns must have teachable spirits and have a sincere hunger to grow in a deeper, more mature relationship with Jesus Christ.

An Internship is a mutual commitment between the intern and the NEF. With that concept as the framework, all interns must commit to:

- Stay for the entire year unless another time frame is needed to meet one's degree requirements.
- Attend, participate, and be on time to all required meetings, discussion groups, worship and prayer times, meetings with leaders, etc.
- Complete all homework assignments each week and come to intern times prepared to participate.
- Being willing to submit to the authority of the NEF. Before the start of the internship, all individuals will be made aware of our ministry's authority structure.
- Work willingly at whatever job is assigned as to the Lord.
- Following our ministry's code of conduct.
- Not pursuing new romantic relationships. We ask that interns focus on friendships and let God work out any deeper relationships at a later date. Exclusive, romantic relationships can be very difficult to manage and even divisive in such a close community.
- Becoming involved with a local church.
- Volunteering with a local organization on a regular basis.

The NEF commits to:

- Creating a challenging experience for all interns. Our hope is that all individuals will leave better prepared for full-time camping ministry.
- Discipleship. We will plan and facilitate times of Bible study, prayer, worship and accountability which is intended to encourage interns in their walk with the Lord.
- Training. Our staff will train and equip interns to carry out the various responsibilities of many different jobs at camp. It is our desire that interns have a complete understanding of what a permanent camp staff position would entail.
- The education of each intern. Our leadership will come alongside interns to help them meet the educational components that satisfies their degree requirements.

Areas of Focus:

A. Discipleship:

B. Ministry Training:

Interns will be exposed to most aspects of the camp operation by rotating through various aspects during the school season months of the program.

These aspects may include but are not limited to: programming, administration, maintenance, recruiting staff, planning, developing a budget, marketing and overseeing a capital project. During the summer months, the focus will be primarily on the programming side, and all interns will be assigned a defined role for the summer.

C. Education

D. Developing Christian Community within Rumney Bible Conference & White Mountain Ranch.

E. Serving locally outside of the NEF.

F. Career Counseling

Range of Responsibilities:

- Planning & implementing programs
- Snow Camp assignments
- Plan and follow through with improvement projects
- Kitchen duties
- Conference planning
- Working at the snack shack
- Booking, planning & hosting retreat groups
- Housekeeping duties
- Maintenance work
- Ministry presentations at local churches and youth groups
- Office work
- Other assigned duties