



## **Bonner Leader for Environmental Outreach Position Description**

The Bonner Leader will be an “Ambassador” representing Hobart and William Smith Colleges (HWS), the Finger Lakes Institute (FLI), and The Center for Community Engagement and Service Learning (CCESL) in their mission to promote and foster education, outreach and community engagement programs that connect the Finger Lakes environment with numerous stakeholders, educators, and students in the region. Additionally, the Bonner Leader for Environmental Outreach will be responsible for connecting with student groups, such as the Green’s House, Campus Greens, HWS Sustainability Coordinator, and professional societies at HWS to raise awareness campus-wide about the incredible assets provided by the Finger Lakes and the environmental issues facing the region. Focus areas for environmental outreach include, but are not limited to, watershed protection, invasive species management, natural resource management, energy conservation, topics of unique scientific research, and waste management.

The Bonner Leader will be a full time student enrolled at Hobart and William Smith Colleges and ideally in their Junior or Senior year. They will be expected to work approximately 10 hours per week under the direction of the Finger Lakes Institute’s Community and Education Outreach Coordinators but also with the CCESL staff (Sarah Entenmann) and other Bonner Leaders to assist in making service connections between HWS students and the community around environmental issues. They will be based primarily at the FLI, although there will be some travel to related events, schools, and conferences in the region to assist with education and outreach.

The Bonner Leader for Environmental Outreach will assist with development and coordination of:

- A Speaker Series during each semester
- At least one public service event each semester
- At least one K-12 school event and lesson related to the Finger Lakes environment each semester
- At least one professional development opportunity per semester for K-12 teachers in the Finger Lakes environment
- Providing mentorship and leadership to fellow Finger Lakes Institute student interns/workers as they develop opportunities for outreach and education of Finger Lakes environmental issues
- Bi-weekly meetings with Finger Lakes Institute student interns/workers

Additionally, the Bonner Leader will attend/complete:

- Weekly meetings with all Bonner Leaders, facilitated by staff in The Center for Community Engagement and Service-Learning (active participation in discussions pertaining to civic engagement, The Bonner Leader ideals, and application to HWS and extended community)

- Weekly submissions on the Bonner Web Based Reporting System to track progress towards established goals and related hours.
- Leadership workshops and professional development conferences as related opportunities arise.

Qualifications:

- Junior or Senior in good standing at Hobart and William Smith Colleges
- Ability and eagerness to work with people of all ages
- Communication skills; written and oral
- Interest in education, public relations, and environmental topics
- Understanding of the science behind environmental issues in the Finger Lakes Region

Two references required.