

Intern FAQ's

1. What is the intern house like?

The intern house has four bedrooms and two bathrooms. Two of the bedrooms have a bathroom attached. There are two refrigerators, an oven, a stovetop, a microwave, a dishwasher, and a washer/dryer. There are plenty of pots, pans, baking sheets, dishware, and silverware, along with cabinet space. There are two wood stoves and plenty of couches. Each bedroom has a twin-sized bed – please bring your own sheets and towels. There is a two-car garage and enough parking for a few more cars. The backyard is large and you can sometimes see deer grazing. The house is located directly next to acres of parkland called the Grand Forest - so hiking, running, biking, and other outdoor activities are just a few steps beyond the front door. The intern house is also located less than 2 miles from the main Park District office at Strawberry Hill Park.

2. Can I invite friends or family to the intern house?

Interns may have overnight visitors, under a few conditions. The intern host must be present with their guest at all times. Intern hosts are limited to three guests at any one time, unless otherwise permitted by a designee of the District. Intern hosts must check with their housemates for approval before inviting overnight guests. Due to limited parking, visitors will park in designated parking areas away from the house.

3. Can I bring a pet?

Unfortunately, interns may not at any time be in possession of animals, even for short term visits.

4. Can I bring my car?

Yes, one parking space per intern will be provided. If you are a frequent cycler, it is possible to bike to most places on the island – though there are many hills. After all, Bainbridge is the home of the Chilly Hilly and Bike for Pie.

5. Can I bring my bike, skis, and/or other large items?

Yes, there is a good amount of storage in the garage, as well as the root cellar.

6. How much free time will I have?

Interns are expected to work a 40 hour work week for the duration of their term; however, some exceptions may be made based on the Internship Agreement and situations. These hours may include evening and/or weekend hours as needed. For instance, as part of the outdoor programs internship, the intern may need to help out on a weekend hike or night class. The intern will still have a good amount of free time, and can always talk to their supervisor about how their schedule is working out.

7. Do I get time off?

Time off requests shall be discussed with the intern's direct supervisor.

8. What is the dress code?

Dress code is department specific. Normal office attire is appropriate for internships held in a Park District office. If the intern is out on a field assignment, attire relevant to the task is expected. For example, snow clothes for a ski trip.

9. Who do I tell about problems with the intern house?

If there are any issues at the intern house, please direct them to the Intern Housing Supervisor.

10. What is there to do on Bainbridge Island when I'm not working?

Bainbridge Island is home to a wide variety of activities. There are plenty of parks and trails to explore, cozy coffee shops, an indoor rock climbing gym, a fitness center, aquatics center, unique restaurants, open waterfront, and a vibrant community to connect with. If you're looking to get off the island, Seattle is a short 35-minute ferry ride away. If you want to explore the beautiful mountains of Washington State, the Olympic National Park and Mount Rainier National Park are just a few hours away. If you want to camp, bike, or hike and don't have the proper gear, the District has an extensive Outdoor Gear Bank where you can borrow equipment at no charge.