Teton Raptor Center Internship

Dates: January 5 - December 18, 2026

Hours per week: 40 Jackson Hole, Wyoming Stipend: \$1,425/month

Housing: Provided (see below)



ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW:

Teton Raptor Center is a nonprofit organization working to advance raptor conservation through education, research, and rehabilitation. We are located at the historic Hardeman Ranch, a Jackson Hole Land Trust protected property in Wilson, Wyoming.

POSITION OVERVIEW:

Teton Raptor Center (TRC) is offering a unique year-long internship for an early-career professional eager to gain hands-on experience in nonprofit conservation work. This immersive position provides broad exposure to TRC's mission — advancing raptor conservation through education, research, and rehabilitation — while emphasizing communications, storytelling, and public engagement.

The intern will work across departments and support the organization's communications and marketing efforts by developing compelling digital content, assisting with outreach campaigns, representing TRC at events, and helping to tell the stories of raptors, science, and community impact. This internship is ideal for a strong communicator who is excited about conservation, science communication, and the behind-the-scenes operations of a dynamic nonprofit.

We're looking for someone who is curious, adaptable, team-oriented, and ready to jump into a dynamic, mission-focused environment.

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Education & Outreach Support

- Assist in the preparation and delivery of live raptor education programs for schools, community events, and private audiences.
- Assemble activity guides and kits for teachers to support continued learning post-program.
- Collect and incorporate participant feedback in partnership with the Education Specialist to improve programming.
- Assist in developing clear, compelling marketing materials for TRC's educational offerings.

Research & Fieldwork

• Support data collection for TRC's ongoing field research

- Participate in remote fieldwork including backcountry travel and overnight stays
- Organize and catalogue photo/video assets from field projects
- Use field experiences, current media assets, and new content to create engaging outreach for general audiences about TRC's ongoing research

Raptor Care (Rehabilitation & Resident Birds)

- Assist in the husbandry of resident and rehabilitating raptors
- Cleaning enclosures and handling small live prey
- Support medical treatments, record keeping, and flight training
- Help with cleaning, feeding, enrichment, and behavior observation
- Supporting patient admissions and the Raptor Hotline

Nonprofit Operations & Administration

- Contribute to administrative functions such as data entry, mailings, and filing
- Support fundraising and donor communications efforts
- Help manage volunteer activities and assist with campus events
- Help create social media and digital content, including weekly e-newsletters
- Assist in our nature shop
- Photo/video cataloging

Facilities & Stewardship

- Support ongoing site maintenance including snow removal, lawn care, landscaping, and upkeep of indoor and outdoor shared spaces.
- Support TRC's sustainability initiatives through recycling and waste reduction
- Serve as a respectful, responsible resident intern, sharing housing duties and helping maintain a welcoming, safe environment.

QUALIFICATIONS & SKILLS:

- Deep interest in conservation, science communication, and nonprofit work.
- Strong writing, visual storytelling, and verbal communication skills.
- Experience or interest in photography, videography, and digital content creation.
- Familiarity with social media platforms and tools like Canva or similar.
- Organized, self-motivated, and able to manage multiple projects with attention to detail.
- Comfort with shadowing outdoor fieldwork, including some physically demanding tasks.
- Outgoing and collaborative, with strong interpersonal skills and a team-oriented mindset.
- At least 21 years old with a valid driver's license and clean driving record.
- Ability to lift 40 lbs and work some early mornings, evenings, and weekends.

COMPENSATION/BENEFITS:

- Internships may be used for academic or vocational purposes. Interns are responsible
 for making the arrangements necessary to receive relevant credit as a result of
 completing the internship.
- Monthly stipend: \$1,425
- On-site housing- As a condition of this opportunity, the individual must reside in TRC's workforce housing units.
- Use of TRC vehicles for Teton Raptor Center operations and programs.
- PTO
- Professional development and mentorship from experienced conservation staff
- Unique exposure to a wide range of nonprofit conservation activities
- Real-world experience in science communication, education, wildlife care, and research
- Opportunity to live and work in a spectacular natural setting of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem.

ABOUT TETON RAPTOR CENTER:

Teton Raptor Center (TRC) is a non-profit organization advancing raptor conservation through education, research, and rehabilitation. TRC's educational programs reach tens of thousands of visitors annually. Our team of Resident Raptors includes 13 non-releasable raptors that are cared for and provided training and enrichment on a daily basis. Our research team works on dozens of research projects annually, both locally and in other parts of Wyoming and Montana. Our research projects include the largest and longest on-going study of Great Gray Owls anywhere in the world, as well as projects monitoring migration of Golden Eagles and Rough-legged Hawks, and more. TRC rescues and rehabilitates over 150 raptors annually and recently received permits to begin rehabilitating corvids as well. These injured, ill and orphaned birds come from all over the state of Wyoming and Idaho. Finally, TRC works on several conservation projects aimed at keeping wild raptors safer in the wild. These include the Poo-Poo Project (Port-o-Potty Owl Project), an initiative to keep cavity-nesting owls and other raptors from becoming trapped in the ventilation pipes on vault toilets, and Sporting Lead-Free, an education-based initiative aimed at reducing the use of lead ammunition and tackle in the environment because of its detrimental health effects on raptors.

EMPLOYMENT at TETON RAPTOR CENTER

Teton Raptor Center is an equal opportunity employer with a smoke-free and drug-free workplace. Successful applicants will be required to pass a background check, driving check, and drug screening.

TO APPLY

Please apply <u>here</u> to upload your resume, cover letter, and three professional references. Your resume and cover letter should be uploaded as a single PDF saved with your name, year and the internship in the file title (e.g., "LastName FirstName 2026 TRC Internship").

The application window for our January start internships is August 1 - September 30. Applications must be received by 5pm (Mountain Time) on September 30.