

U.S. Forest Service

Open positions: For students, summer seasonal jobs. Other various positions. Internship “Pathways” program.

Website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/>

Application: <http://usajobs.gov>

Watch Video: https://npc0-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/personal/benjamin_sandoval_npc_edu/ETxiDeVNpNRDnpcoBE7fTaIB4jKaO6LsX1prkA73kp0WbA?e=giwiPR

Watch Video 2: https://npc0-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/personal/benjamin_sandoval_npc_edu/ESSgg5MdxBhGuTuiVyaNTgEBvhnsMVwwPKg2g0sh2-zIA?e=QkAMAg

See Links to other resources below

U.S. Forest Service has a lot of different jobs including crews, IT, and other administrative roles. There are volunteer opportunities as well. There are two main avenues toward a career in the U.S. Forest Service. The first is through seasonal and summer work. These can be either a 3-month or 6-month duration. A college student usually must opt for the 3-month position. Once someone gets 12 months of this work completed, they are eligible to apply for internal positions. The second avenue for someone interested in a career with the U.S. Forest Service is an internship, which is called “Pathways.” During their summer years in college, students will work for the U.S. Forest Service and will commit to a certain number of years once they graduate. Successful completion of “Pathways” guarantees a job after college graduation.

In the second video, 70% of the time is spent on application tips and how to use USA Jobs. There is a four-person panel from the U.S. Forest Service who also discuss what their jobs are like and their career paths. Represented is the timber crew foreman, wildfire crew, biology science technician, and ranger district. This video is a must-see for anyone interested in working seasonally or permanently for the U.S. Forest Service.

Applicants must apply through USA Jobs website at <http://usajobs.gov>

Short videos on how to apply through USA Jobs:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gih8-cwTCQU>
- <https://vimeo.com/forestservice/welcome-to-the-forest-service/video/244062015>.

Handout on tips for job-seekers: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/sites/default/files/fs-jobs-applicant-tips.pdf>

On-Demand Webinars on Applying, Federal Resumes, etc.: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/working-with-us/jobs/next-steps>

To find out if you qualify for jobs and position grades: <https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/classification-qualifications/general-schedule-qualification-standards/#url=GS-PROF>