



Utah Conservation Corps

2018 Accessibility Survey Crew Member

The Utah Conservation Corps (UCC) is an AmeriCorps program dedicated to developing conservation leaders through service and education and improving the quality of public lands through partnership projects. The UCC is committed to providing physically accessible conservation service opportunities, such as this Accessibility Survey Crew.

TERM DATES: MAY 21 – AUGUST 15, 2018
LOCATION: Crew is based out of Salt Lake City, Utah (3 positions available)
Project sites throughout SLC on Open Space land

POSITION DESCRIPTION

The UCC Accessibility Survey Crew Member is an AmeriCorps position on a 4-person, mixed-ability crew that will complete conservation service work on Salt Lake City Open Space lands. The crew is assigned projects that are physically accessible and accommodating to individuals with a variety of physical disabilities. Project work will involve conducting accessibility surveys on public trails and open space facilities and generating reports from the data collected.

The UCC Accessibility Survey Crew consists of one Crew Leader and three Crew Members. The leader and members participate in two weeks of training prior to project work. During ten weeks of project work, the crew will take measurements, photos, and document data such as picnic and restroom facility dimensions and trail width/slope to help land managers determine if and how parks and natural areas can be made more accessible. The crew will input data into a database and present reports for use by the agency to improve accessibility.

The crew will meet each morning at a Salt Lake Open Space designated meeting point and travel to their daily project site. Transportation during the work day is provided. Crew members must provide their own transportation and housing accommodations outside of the work day. The work schedule will be full-time hours Monday – Friday.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Ability to use various measurement tools to conduct on-site accessibility surveys of developed Salt Lake Open Space facilities and trails/walkways
- Accurately record and enter data using measurement tools, IPADs, cameras, and desktop computers
- Cognitive ability to synthesize data to produce reports that presents recommendations on follow up action needed
- Ability to work outdoors up to 10 hours per day in a variety of weather conditions
- Ability to function independently and provide personal care in outdoor settings

- Ability to provide personal transportation to/from the Salt Lake Open Space designated meeting point
- Ability to work closely with other crew members to get work done and maintain a positive work environment
- Ability to participate in group presentations to land managers and public officials on the accessibility data collected

MARGINAL FUNCTIONS:

- Transport equipment and tools to and from project site
- Conduct light trail maintenance to make trails more accessible

PHYSICAL & MENTAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Be 17 years or older by the position start date
- Manage all personal care and mobility
- Work successfully as part of a diverse team
- Be outdoors for extended periods during the summer months
- Successfully use computers and technology
- Communicate clearly and consistently
- Record accurate information and pay attention to detail
- Travel in a UCC vehicle to/from job sites

Reasonable accommodations can be made for individuals to perform essential functions and requirements. Requests must be presented to the UCC in advance of the position dates for evaluation of reasonable accommodation.

Principal Working Relationships:

- Work as part of a team with crew members with and without disabilities to complete projects
- Work in partnership with land management agency sponsors
- Work under the supervision of UCC staff

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

- High School Graduate (minimum)
- Strong Computer Skills
- Comfortable in a variety of outdoor environments
- Strong Communication Skills

Service Conditions:

Accessibility surveys will be conducted outdoors on Salt Lake Open Space public lands; data entry will be performed in an office setting.

Equipment Used: Smart Tool level*, inclinometer* (measures running slope), scale, IPAD, camera, GPS unit, roll-a-wheel* (measures longer distances), tape measure*

**These tools have been modified so that they are usable by people with a variety of physical disabilities.*

BENEFITS

- AmeriCorps Living Allowance, \$550.00 paid twice per month
- AmeriCorps Education Award, \$1,527.45 (available upon successful completion of term)
- Conservation Service Work Training and Experience

TO APPLY

Complete the online application found at <http://ucc.usu.edu/apply/index>

Application review and hiring will take place on a rolling basis. Submit an application soon but no later than 04/30/18 for consideration. Positions are open until filled.

Contact Lindsay Thalacker if application accommodations are needed.

Contact

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