



Anam Earth Center for Sustainability & Culture

Earth Quest

Internship and Volunteer Opportunities



Description: The Anam Earth Center for Sustainability and Culture is offering part-time, semester-long internship and volunteer opportunities to work on the EarthQuest project. EarthQuest is an augmented reality ecogame for engaging teams of youth and young adults in game-based learning about climate change, their local environment and civics. EarthQuest uses hybrid table-top scenario and simulation methods with storytelling, group role-playing, and a mobile app for social learning and collaborative problem-solving. Youth are ushered into a realistic and plausible near-future world to address real-world issues from legacy environmental pollution, climate-induced events, and the transition to sustainability and resilience. Players use mobile devices to go online for peer-to-peer sharing, accessing game media and digital maps, looking up information and crowdsourcing new media content. For this internship or volunteer experience, you may be involved in one or more aspects of the game project. The specific tasks and hours are negotiable, and can accommodate student schedules. The goal is 3-10 flexible hours of work each week, and may be done virtually from your own home location, or onsite at the Anam Earth Center office in Clarksville, New York (20 minutes southwest of Albany). Some training is provided, but digital design and media skills will be necessary for some responsibilities. If you maintain and submit a log of your experience, you are also eligible for a formal evaluation and professional letter of recommendation to help you in your future job search. The internship may be renewed each semester.

Choose from the following opportunities:

- Playtest EarthQuest with friends
- Playtest EarthQuest with youth
- Develop the EarthQuest App
- Edit EarthQuest game materials
- Develop new EarthQuest adventures
- Develop 2D and 3D GIS maps
- Design 2D media and illustrations
- Design 3D media and animations
- Develop augmented reality media
- Create prototype figures with a 3D printer
- Shoot and edit live action videos
- Create voice-over audios
- Do character acting (cosplay)
- Design graphic layouts for print
- Generate social media content
- Develop and enhance websites
- Conduct game market research
- Write foundation grants
- Develop crowdfunding campaign

Background: The Anam Earth Center for Sustainability & Culture (AEC) is a nonprofit community-based organization promoting sustainable communities and sustainable living in preparation for a rapidly changing 21st century world. We engage primarily youth and young adults in environmental sustainability education and skills, sustainability leadership, ecological restoration and ecocivic engagement. The Anam Earth Center has been developing and playtesting EarthQuest for several years, and is in the final stages of getting the game production-ready.

Qualifications:

- May be an undergraduate or graduate student, or college graduate
- Interest in and commitment to environmental and sustainability issues
- Excellent computer skills and good communication skills
- Self-motivated, and able to take initiative and work semi-independently
- Ability to work as a team & pleasant personality (sense of humor is a plus)
- For some positions, experience and skills in the following: playing role-playing games, working with youth, using 2D and 3d media software, acting or voice acting, writing, editing, graphic design and marketing.



For more information or an executive summary on EarthQuest, visit our website at www.anamduan.org, or email us at aec@anamduan.org

To apply: Email a resume and cover letter of which areas in which you would like to work and how you meet the qualifications to Dr. Rob Breen at aec@anamduan.org.