The University of Arizona is looking for 5 students to begin the Doris Duke Conservation Scholars Program at UA in June 2014. Freshmen and sophomores with an interest in the environment and in promoting diversity are strongly encouraged to apply!

Applications are available now and will be accepted through February 15, 2014. To be eligible for the program, students must be enrolled at UA or planning to enroll at UA by Fall 2014. While preference will be given to qualified sophomore applicants, freshmen will also be considered for the program and are encouraged to apply. Non-traditional and transfer students that do not meet the traditional designation of “sophomore” may also be eligible and can contact the national program director at DDCSP@ufl.edu to discuss their specific circumstances.

If you are accepted into the program you will attend an expense-paid, week-long conservation leadership program in coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s National Conservation Training Center in West Virginia in June and will work full-time for 8 weeks on field research projects with faculty and graduate student mentors at UA. During your second summer, you will complete paid internships with local, state, federal, or tribal agencies or NGOs. You will earn more than $5,000 each summer, receive a $1,000 housing stipend, and gain the valuable skills and experience that are necessary for a successful career in conservation.

During the academic year, you will connect with students from across the Collaborative (which includes University of Florida, University of Idaho, North Carolina State University, and Cornell University, in addition to UA) using social networks and a 1-credit distance-based course focused on human dimensions of conservation and achieving academic and professional success, attend biweekly group meetings or socials, and interact regularly with graduate student and faculty mentors at UA.

For more information, see the national program website: http://programs.ifas.ufl.edu or contact ddcsp@ifas.ufl.edu

To apply now, click here.