Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction

Summary of Agency

The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction was established in 1972 under House Bill 494. Its responsibilities are defined in Ohio Revised Code 5120. Final responsibility for operation of the Department rests with the Governor who appoints the Director. The agency is responsible for the operations of 30 prisons, oversight for 17 Community Based Correctional Facilities (CBCF) and the Ohio Adult Parole Authority.

All adults convicted of felonies for which the statutory minimum is at least six months come into the state's prison system, which is under the supervision of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction. Many convicted felons are not, however, sent to prison. Instead, they are supervised in the community through probation or other community corrections alternatives like CBCF’s. Convicted felons who have served a specific amount of time in prison can be, if eligible, placed back into the community through a system called Parole. Parole is a period of supervision prior to full release from the state's correctional system.

In Fiscal Year 2014, 20,120 offenders were committed to the state prison system (17,302 males; 2,818 females). Categorized under their most serious offense, approximately 26% of these offenders were incarcerated for drug related offenses (e.g., drug abuse, trafficking); 14% were committed for miscellaneous property offenses (e.g., arson, theft, receiving stolen property, breaking and entering); approximately 25% were committed for crimes against persons (e.g., robbery, assault, domestic violence, homicide-related offenses); 11% were committed for burglary; 7% were incarcerated for sex offenses (e.g., gross sexual imposition, rape). The remaining individuals were incarcerated for motor vehicle, fraud, or firearm offenses, as well as offenses against justice/public administration and other miscellaneous felonies.

Additional information about the ODRC can be found here:

http://www.drc.state.oh.us/
Internship Responsibilities – ODRC Sustainability Intern

The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction is looking for a qualified intern to join our Energy Conservation and Sustainability team. This department is responsible for energy, natural gas, and water conservation and tracking for 26 state-run institutions, as well as recycling and other sustainability-related programming for offenders. This position will provide direct experience with agency-wide sustainability initiatives.

Responsibilities
The Sustainability Intern will assist DRC with a variety of tasks, including data collection and analysis, communications, trainings, and program oversight. Projects may include the following:

- Gather, collate, analyze and report data pertaining to the sustainability program;
- Assist in the oversight and quality assurance of Roots of Success, an environmental literacy program, which operates in 22 DRC facilities;
- Collect and develop content to assist in the creation of a DRC Sustainability website;
- Analyze current utility usage data and tracking systems from Energy Star Portfolio Manager & internal DRC Enterprise Information Management System;
- Research and recommend improvements to current utility tracking;
- Research benchmarking against similar organizations;
- Assist in preparation of DRC’s first Sustainability Report;
- Prepare presentations as needed.

Qualifications

When reviewing potential candidates, the conservation team will look at:

- Passion and experience in sustainability, conservation and recycling
- Strong oral communications skills
- Excellent writing skills
• Strong computer skills (Microsoft Office, Internet)
• Strong research and analysis skills
• Attention to detail
• Ability to work independently
• Actively working towards completion of a Bachelor’s Degree.

Professional conduct and behaving in a law-abiding manner, at all times & in accordance with the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation & Correction Standards of Employee Conduct is essential.

A criminal history records check and a brief background investigation will need to be completed before we can confirm a position. Also, because the ODRC works with confidential information, a commitment to keeping that information confidential is required. This is an unpaid placement.

This is an excellent opportunity for someone who is interested in research, criminal justice, corrections and has a strong passion for green issues and environmental projects.

**Location/Hours**

Internship hours will be as arranged with most work being done during normal business hours. The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Energy Conservation and sustainability Team is located at:

Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction  
770 W. Broad Street, 4th Floor  
Columbus, Ohio 43222

**Application**

For further information on this opportunity or to apply, please send a cover letter and resume to: Christopher Yanai, Program Manager CJRC (614) 688-8685, email: [Yanai.7@osu.edu](mailto:Yanai.7@osu.edu)

**Note:** This is an unpaid internship. Academic credit for Research or Internship is available.