Programs you help with!

**Environmental Education**

*Healing the broken bond between our young and nature is in our self interest.*

Richard Louv

We help restore the bond between kids and nature by actively working with hundreds of teachers and students each year.

**Habitat**

*In all things of nature there is something of the marvelous.*

Aristotle

From restoring rivers, to controlling invasive weeds, and creating better haunts for the wild things, CUSP works to protect the marvels of nature.

**Volunteers**

*No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.*

Aesop

Hundreds of people log thousands of hours each year, helping us protect our forests, wildlife, rivers, and human values.

**Fire & Forest Health**

*People who will not sustain trees will soon live in a world which cannot sustain people.*

Bryce Nelson

As Home to the Hayman, we know forests are one of our most valuable and vulnerable assets. We work to protect and restore them.
Experience, Excellence, Enrichment

CUSP’s Academic Internship Program offers students the chance to apply the academic knowledge and analytical skills they have gained in school in a professional natural-resource setting, while helping to protecting the valuable Upper South Platte Watershed. CUSP is located in Lake George, Colorado, yet offers numerous watershed-wide academic internships, meaning students from all over Colorado, and beyond, can participate in a program that’s designed around service learning and on-the-ground problem solving. We offer:

• Academic internships grounded in program learning outcomes and individualized student learning objectives.
• Service learning initiatives for faculty interested in integrating a service-related internship component into their course(s).
• Individualized partnerships with University departments and programs interested in integrating internships with departmental requirements and/or program missions.
• Top notch talent for corporate and community organizations who share the CUSP vision for academic internships and are committed to fostering a culture of learning.

The Academic Internship Program is shaped by CUSP’s vision for - A HEALTHY WATERSHED NOW AND INTO THE FUTURE. We help graduate and undergraduate students become stewards of the natural world and develop leadership skills by offering opportunities that integrate academic theory and ‘real-world’ practice, and provide a vehicle for exploring the relationship between theory and practice. Interns gain professional skills needed to succeed in today’s work world, particularly for students interested in working in the environmental or public sectors. CUSP internships are about more than just work experience: they are about academic, personal and professional growth. Call us to learn more and discuss your internship!

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