

## Everglades National Park (FL)

Daniel Labay grew up in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He obtained a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Central Oklahoma, during which time Daniel focused on environmental education and the role of the natural world on emotional well-being. Daniel has worked as an illustrator and spent time creating children's stories that focused on teaching the importance of species and environmental protection. Daniel continued to pursue his interest and love for nature by obtaining a Master's



of Education in Parks and Recreation Management from Southwestern Oklahoma State University. While enrolled he interned with the forest service in Gardiner, Montana, on the northern border of Yellowstone, where he helped to promote environmental education and invasive species control. Upon completion of his master's program, Daniel worked with the city of Oklahoma City as a parks program specialist engaging gardening, mineral and archaeological groups. Daniel worked to bring outdoor recreation to Oklahoma City. Currently Daniel is serving as a Community Volunteer Ambassador in Everglades National Park. He will be creating an archaeological site stewards program, as well as hosting several volunteer projects while engaging the local community in habitat restoration projects.