

CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO CANAL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK (MD, VA)



Sherry Guillen grew up and went to school in the Show Me State aka Missouri. After a fun summer with the State Park Youth Corps doing invasive plant removal at Rock Bridge Memorial State Park, she discovered a passion for protecting parks and getting others to explore their natural surroundings. After studying Anthropology at Truman State University, she became interested in doing volunteer work and working in the outdoors. Luckily, a professor recommended the Student Conservation Association which ended up being a perfect match. For her 1st SCA stint, she spent 10 months in New Hampshire teaching environmental education and doing trail work with 25 fellow corps members who became lifelong friends. The following year, she was once again drawn to SCA and completed 10 months of work in historic preservation in Massachusetts with another wonderful group of people. During that time, she became interested in learning more about engaging with local communities after working on an independent project with the National Parks of Boston. This led her to seek another internship and she is thrilled to join the Community Volunteer Ambassador Corps of 2019. She will spend a year at the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park in Maryland and she is eager to learn, share her love of parks and service and meet new people along the way.