The WFO GSP student volunteer program is not an intern position. Experience gained from participation in the program should be noted as “student volunteer” experience when applying for future employment.

The program is designed for students who have completed at least their sophomore year of undergraduate studies or are currently enrolled in a graduate level degree program in meteorology, atmospheric science, hydrology, or a related physical science or engineering field. Students should have completed at least introductory classes in dynamic or synoptic meteorology.

Students can earn academic credit for work accomplished at the WFO. A signed agreement with the institution is required.

Students will work a schedule suitable to the needs of the WFO.

Student volunteers typically work during the summer. Exceptions are determined on a case-by-case basis.

Volunteer duties include an introduction to WFO operations, assistance with WFO projects, and training activities appropriate for the student’s background.

Applications should be submitted to WFO Greenville-Spartanburg prior to 1 February 2013. The application process consists of:

- Completion of application form
- A letter from the student expressing a desire to participate in the program and summarizing academic and career goals
- A transcript (official or unofficial) documenting all college or university academic courses
- An interview (preferably in person)

Applicants must be U.S. citizens.

Applicants are subject to Department of Commerce and NOAA security and background investigations.

Volunteer selections will be announced by 15 March.

Typically, one student volunteer per summer will be chosen. One or two additional volunteers can be considered depending on WFO resources and flexibility of student schedules.