Video Editing/Multimedia Management Internship/Volunteer position

About EcoLogic:
EcoLogic works to empower rural people to restore and protect tropical ecosystems. We currently work in Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, and Belize. These nations house some of the most biodiverse ecosystems in the world, yet they are beset by poverty. Rural communities in particular face a barrage of natural resource challenges tied to their own livelihoods and resilience, such as lack of clean water, failing fisheries, and deteriorating soils. Furthermore, the perspectives, needs, and assets of people living in and around areas that are critical to protect have historically been left out of conservation initiatives. We believe that those living near or in threatened ecosystems are best positioned to lead in their protection and restoration. But that requires conservation initiatives to be designed in ways that shift power to local people, so that they have the resources, connections, and respect they need to be effective conservation leaders.

Since 1993, EcoLogic has collaborated with hundreds of rural and indigenous communities in Mesoamerica. In partnership with local organizations (e.g. indigenous councils, fisherfolk associations, farmer networks/cooperatives, water and forest stewardship committees), we develop conservation solutions and strategies that account for the causes of biodiversity and resource loss, respond to community needs and concerns, and tap into local people’s interests, knowledge, and assets. We then provide the tools, training, and resources needed to turn strategies into action. Given our commitment to integrate local priorities with conservation objectives, EcoLogic initiatives end up taking on a pragmatic form that fosters local participation and yields benefits to both biodiversity and local communities.

EcoLogic Internships and Volunteer positions:
All EcoLogic internships and volunteer positions are unpaid, but we are happy to work with your college or university to help interns receive college credit or external funding for their EcoLogic internship.

Our internship schedules are flexible within normal business hours, but we will give preference to candidates who can commit to a minimum of 15 hours per week for at least three months.

Responsibilities:
As a video editor and multimedia management intern, you will be responsible for editing and organizing photos and raw video footage. One major project that you will be working on is editing several hours of footage from a staff retreat in Guatemala and Belize, during which we had meetings and visited several project sites. Most of the footage will be in Spanish, so in order to edit (and occasionally transcribe) the content of the video, you will need to be highly proficient in both English and Spanish. Another large project is the organization and potential editing of several photos we have stored in our database. These photos are taken of our work in Central America and Mexico, and will be used to communicate what EcoLogic does to our supporters and allies, as well as be used in fundraising campaigns. This intern will help us utilize photos and create videos that speak to our audience and compel interest in our work.

Qualifications:
- Experience in video editing with Adobe Premiere, iMovie, Final Cut, or similar video-editing applications
- Some experience with Adobe Photoshop (and InDesign experience preferred)
- Spanish language proficiency
- Interest in communications / marketing
- Ability to work independently and creatively on projects, from concept through completion
- Interest in EcoLogic’s area of work

To Apply:
To apply for an internship, please send your resume and a cover letter to work@ecologic.org with the internship title in the subject header.