

Internship with ecologist at Svalöv municipality

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In the early summer of 2017 the ecologist of Svalöv municipality welcomed me as an intern. I had a great and very diverse internship since my supervisor's job was to deal with everything from ecology to strategical environmental planning.

My task was to follow her half of the time, and besides that do two projects on my own.

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Following my supervisor

When following my supervisor, I gained practical experience of doing ecological inventories, environmental analyses and working together with experts from other organizations.

It was invaluable for me to see with examples how environmental law, goals and strategies were carried out in practice on a local level. I also learnt that communicating in an inclusive manner and meeting people at their individual level is of great importance.

The first of my own projects were on circular economy in the municipal organization. I took part in seminars and meetings on the subject, and took on the task of optimizing the organization's work with recycling. Later I presented the result to the municipal committee for societal planning.

My own projects

My second project dealt with the application of the ecosystem service concept in relation to the town's future exploitations. I tested two different identification methods and did an ES identification in areas of Svalöv. During this analysis, I utilized a lot of my knowledge of both physical geography and environmental science.

You are most welcome to contact me if you'd like tips or help regarding your internship.

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