

**JOB TITLE: LAB INTERN**

The Springfield Water and Sewer Commission (SWSC) is looking for you to join us as a **LAB INTERN** at our West Parish Filters facility in Westfield, MA. This position will support the Laboratory Staff to ensure compliance with accepted Springfield Water and Sewer Commission standards and specifications. Position will be approximately 24 hours per week, which will include Monday, Friday and another day to be determined. This is an onsite, paid position, approximately 2-6 months.

**About SWSC:** SWSC was established in 1996 as an independently operated and managed regional water and wastewater utility that provides retail and wholesale water and sewer service to approximately 250,000 customers across multiple communities in the lower Pioneer Valley. The SWSC has approximately 250 employees that operate and maintain a system of one thousand miles of water and sewer pipe, treatment plants, reservoirs, watershed land, dams, and other critically important infrastructure that serves the public.

**Mission Statement:** SWSC's mission is to provide an uninterrupted, high-quality supply of water to our customers, to collect and treat wastewater, and return clean water to the environment. [www.waterandsewer.org](http://www.waterandsewer.org)

**ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Support the lab staff with clerical and administrative tasks
- Collect water samples from various locations throughout Springfield and surrounding areas.
- Basic/bench chemistry
- Microbiology and microbiological media prep

**REQUIRED SKILLS:**

- Knowledge of media prep processes
- Ability to lift 50#
- Ability to work outside, even during adverse weather, to collect water samples
- Active and valid driver's license to utilize Commission vehicles for water sampling tasks and to travel to other Commission facilities as needed.
- Willingness to adhere to all safety procedures, including COVID related requirements related to mask wearing, social distancing, surface and vehicle disinfection, and hand washing/hygiene.

**EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:**

Preferred majors: microbiology, environmental science, chemistry.  
Experience in a working lab strongly preferred.

Pay rate: \$15 per hour.

Qualified candidates should send their resume and cover letter to: [Stephanie.douglass@waterandsewer.org](mailto:Stephanie.douglass@waterandsewer.org).

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