

# Upstate Forever

Promoting Sensible Growth and  
Protecting Special Places in the Upstate

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## UPSTATE FOREVER HOSTS TALENTED STUDENT INTERNS

*Upstate Forever* is utilizing the talents of four summer interns from a diversity of disciplines as the organization continues its vital work in the Upstate area. *Upstate Forever* is a nonprofit, membership-based organization that promotes sensible growth and protects special places in the Upstate region of South Carolina. It currently has over 1,600 members. To learn more about our organization, please visit [www.upstateforever.org](http://www.upstateforever.org).

**Katy Carlson** is a rising senior at Furman University majoring in political science and sociology. She is working with the advocacy and outreach programs at *Upstate Forever* and hopes that this experience will help her develop the skills she needs to go onto a career in urban planning. The Tallahassee, Florida native enjoys traveling, reading, and watching college sports.

**Trevor Cutsinger**, of Aiken, SC is also a rising senior at Furman University, completing an individually composed major entitled "Religion and the Environment." His internship at *Upstate Forever* involves working for the Saluda Reedy Watershed Consortium on a variety of projects related to low-impact development, water quality, floodplains and greenways. After graduation, Trevor plans to pursue a master's degree in environmental studies. His favorite activities are traveling and playing basketball.

Far from his Texas home, **Colin Hagan** is interning with both *Upstate Forever* and the Saluda Reedy Watershed Consortium. Another member of the Furman University Class of 2007, he majors in Political Science and English. Colin is the President of the Furman University Environmental Action Group and is active in biodiesel production on campus. He enjoys spending his free time hiking and reading.

**Mary Hays Huguley** is a graduate student in Clemson University's City and Regional Planning program, from which she expects to receive her master's degree in the spring of 2007. She is a graduate of Appalachian State University, where she completed her BS in anthropology and sustainable development in 2004. A native of Columbia, South Carolina, she is excited to be working for an organization committed to protecting critical lands in her favorite part of the world, the southern Appalachian region.

A rising senior at Georgetown University completing a dual major in mathematics and German, **Sarah Plyler** is spending her summer back home in Greenville after two semesters studying in Vienna, Austria. She is applying her formidable skills and energy to all facets of the membership department at *Upstate Forever*. A graduate of the South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities in cello performance, Sarah plays in several musical groups and also enjoys long-distance running.

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