March 12, 2016

PAID Summer 2016 Internship Opportunity Announcement

POSITION TITLE: Anthropology

POSITIONS AVAILABLE: 1

SPONSORING FEDERAL AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management

INTERNSHIP LOCATION (city and state): Carlsbad, New Mexico

DESired MAJORS: Anthropology

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

A suitable intern candidate is needed to help with the backlog of recorded but unevaluated archaeological sites in the Carlsbad Field Office. There are currently 6,700 sites (out of over 12,000 total) with no eligibility determination, yet these sites have to be treated as eligible historic properties and avoided by all projects. Over 1,800 of these unevaluated sites are within the Permian Basin Programmatic Agreement area. Another subset of these is within high development areas and pipeline corridors where it is increasingly difficult to avoid direct and indirect impacts to sites. These will be the primary focus of the project. The intern would assist staff archaeologists with locating and assigning these sites a determination of either “eligible” or “not eligible” to the National Register of Historic Places and prescribing mitigation recommendations for those eligible sites that can no longer be avoided. Activities will include artifact and feature recording, sub-surface testing, and significance assessment.

The intern should have education and/or experience in archaeological theory, methodology, field work, and cultural resource management. A fundamental understanding of GPS and GIS technology and databases is necessary to record field data and input it into all department databases and GIS layers. An understanding of site evaluation criteria and strong writing skills are expected to complete site forms with site eligibility determinations and treatment recommendations that will be submitted to the New Mexico Historic Preservation Department at the end of the internship.
The intern will be exposed to an interdisciplinary environment that relies on collaboration and teamwork. Participation in department and office-wide meetings will be required and will help the intern understand how the field office solicits and integrates input from all departments to achieve our multiple-use mission. Problem solving and team building skills will be emphasized. The intern will receive training in the fairly intricate workflow system of the Archaeology shop and our role in the daily business of the field office, for example, the relationship between the National Historic Preservation Act and the National Environmental Policy Act. The intern will also receive training that will familiarize them with the overall BLM mission and how the Carlsbad Field Office maintains the balance between permitting energy exploration and protecting natural and cultural resources for future generations.

**HOURS:** Full-time (40 hours per week / Monday – Friday)

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**
- Completion of freshman year of college before the internship begins
- Minimum 3.0 GPA (on a 4.0 scale)
- Enrollment in a degree-seeking program (BA/BS, Masters, JD, MD, or Ph.D.) at an accredited higher education institution. Students pursuing only a credential or certificate program will be considered ineligible.
- Recent graduates – you can only apply to the program if you will be able to complete your internship within 12 months of your graduation.
- Authorization or eligibility to work in the United States by law

**INTERNSHIP DATES:** Start dates are June 2, 2016 or June 16, 2016. The internship is a minimum of 11 weeks.

**COMPENSATION:** The rate of compensation depends on the student’s class level. The following are weekly rates:

- Undergraduate – $520
- Graduate – $590

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** The first review of applicants will take place on March 14, 2016. Applications will be received until position is filled.

**HOW TO APPLY:**

If you meet the eligibility requirements, please go to www.hacu.net/hnip and click on “Apply Online” to start your application right away. Please note that you will need to complete your online internship application before receiving an official internship offer. We also ask that you email Mr. Jonathan Santeliz at blm_internship@hacu.net with your resume. Please add the title of the internship position in the subject line of the email.

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POSITIONS AVAILABLE: 1

SPONSORING FEDERAL AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management

INTERNSHIP LOCATION (city and state): Las Cruces, New Mexico

DESIRED MAJORS: Natural Resources Management, Paleontology, Geology, Biological Sciences

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Las Cruces District Office is in need of support and expertise for matters related to paleontological resource management for its two national monuments: the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument (PTNM) and Organ Mountains Desert Peaks National Monument (OMDPNM). The PTNM was designated in March 2009 to conserve, protect, and enhance the unique and nationally-important paleontological, scientific, educational, scenic and recreation resources and values. A Record of Decision (ROD) for the PTNM Resource Management Plan (RMP) was signed November 2015 and provides new guidance on how to manage the monument and its resources.

The OMDPNM was designated in May 2014 for its scenic values... and includes the Organ Mountains which lay directly east of the city of Las Cruces, Robledo Mountains, Sierra de las Uvas, Potrillo Mountains and the Doña Ana Mountains. The monument was established to protect significant prehistoric, historic, geologic, and biologic resources of scientific interest.

The project was created to assist LCDO with the management of the paleontological resources in the two monuments. The intern would be responsible for three major tasks listed by the level of importance as follows:

1) Develop a paleontology resource monitoring plan for the PTNM;
2) Create and implement inventory procedures for paleontological resources in the OMDPNM; and
3) Inventory paleontological resources and provide interpretations for PTNM.

The intern would work first and foremost on developing a monitoring plan, but is also expected to begin inventory in both national monuments. The intern would be provided with sufficient project materials, and will also be expected to conduct research to fill any gaps of knowledge. This project will require a high degree of project and management skills in addition to internal and external coordination so as to be successful in completing as many tasks as possible.

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