2020 Discovery Center Planetarium Internship Opportunity

The Anchorage Museum connects people, expands perspectives, and encourages global dialog about the North and its distinct environment. Exploring the intersection of art, history and science, the Anchorage Museum shares multiple perspectives and experiences that tell a greater story. We welcome diverse perspectives and recognize all are enriched when a diversity of voices, viewpoints, and skills are included and engaged in the work we do.

WHEN: 2020 Spring Semester: January – May 2020, start and end dates are flexible. The work schedule will be approximately 16-20 hours a week, with minimum shift lengths of 4 hours, and will include afternoons, nights, weekends, and holidays.

WHERE: The Thomas Planetarium in the Discovery Center at the Anchorage Museum, in Anchorage, Alaska.

WHAT: Internship opportunities and training may include developing and facilitating educational experiences, with a focus on the Thomas Planetarium and Earth and Space Science Labs. Interns will receive training and support to learn how to independently lead programs and provide large scale public moments such as Planetarium shows and science labs. Other learning opportunities include, but are not limited to, learning to perform basic exhibit upkeep/maintenance, follow opening/closing procedures, and learning how to maintain the Discovery Center and Thomas Planetarium. Interns will also spend time on the ‘floor’ developing their interpersonal skills by interacting with museum visitors and engaging with the public in the Discovery Center and Planetarium.

Interns will also learn about and assist with the development and upgrade of planetarium programs and earth and space science labs, will work on planetarium related lessons, and present their results to Museum visitors during a public event at the end of the internship. Interns will collaborate with and receive training and support from the Planetarium & Science Education Manager.

Internship recipients will receive a stipend of $2,500 for the spring semester. Housing, benefits and transportation are not provided.

WHO: Applicants must be at least 18 years of age, must be computer literate, with html scripting preferred, current student or a recent graduate in Science, Education, Museum Studies, Art, History, Native Studies or related field preferred. Previous experience with curriculum development or teaching is preferred, but not required.

HOW TO APPLY:

Applications may be found on our website at (https://www.anchoragemuseum.org/about-us/employment). Please include a cover letter describing your interest in this opportunity and your resume’. Please note a background check will be required for successful applicants. All resumes must be accompanied by a completed application.

DEADLINE: December 31, 2019