

MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS

INTERN PROGRAM REQUEST

EMPLOYER: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

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DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT: Friday, January 5, 2024

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, February 16, 2024 at 5:00 PM (postmarked)

****STUDENTS MUST BE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE****

POSITION TITLE: Paleontology Intern (Paleo Tech)

OF POSITIONS: 1

LOCATION(S): Makoshika State Park

WORK START/END DATES: May 13th, 2024 till August 2nd, 2024

HOURS/WEEK: 40

TOTAL HOURS FOR INTERNSHIP: 480

TRAINING/ORIENTATION DATES: May 13th till May 17th, 2024

HOURLY PAY: \$13

ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION/RESOURCES:

Housing provided

If yes, please list type of housing available: Local Community College has a dorm room and Friends of Makoshika is covering the cost of the housing.

Vehicle provided

Per Diem

Other (please explain):

POSITION DESCRIPTION/SCOPE OF WORK: The Paleontology Technician intern will oversee the paleontology lab and collection area and will support the park's paleontology education and outreach programs. The intern will gain experience in fossil identification, fossil preparation, collection inventory, rehousing fossils, and presenting paleontology education programs including leading the park's weekly paleo experience tour. The park just purchased a dust collection system to be used with an air scribe that

the intern will help set up and use for fossil prep. The intern will also support the Museum of the Rockies staff when they arrive in Summer 2024 to prospect or excavate fossils. They will also help at the Buzzard Day Event with the Paleo hike and at Medicine Rocks State Park when Carter County host their annual dinosaur event. They will also assist our Cultural and Heritage Department as needed. The intern will also complete a final report of completed tasks and outcomes.

SKILLS, ABILITIES, KNOWLEDGE NEEDED (EDUCATION; UNDERGRAD/GRAD LEVEL, SUGGESTED/REQUIRED MAJORS):

Earth Science, geology, paleontology, archeology, biology, under-graduate (junior/senior level BA) or graduate level preferred. Public speaking experience is not required but would be beneficial to the position. Research skills and knowledge of the Hell Creek Formation and Cretaceous period would be useful

APPLICATION MATERIALS:

Resume

Cover Letter

(2) References

Other (please specify):

SEND APPLICATION MATERIALS TO: Riley Bell at Riley.Bell@Mt.Gov or PO Box 1242, Glendive, MT 59330

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The intern can stay in the Dawson Community College dorms and Friends of Makoshika group will cover the cost but the intern is responsible for any damages that may occur during the stay. The college is located only a few minutes from Makoshika State Park.