



Hot Air from EEOP - *A Newsletter*

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The Newsletter:

Student Summer Internship (SSI) Program – Need Host Sites:

The deadline for Student Summer Internship host site applications has been extended to December 31, 2010. Please visit the EEOP website at www.nau.edu/eeop for additional details. The EEOP staff is interested in placing interns with environmental programs in Indian Country that do air quality monitoring, data analysis, emissions inventories, and develop community air quality outreach programs. Regional EPA offices, state environmental offices, tribal environmental offices, and others doing air quality work involving tribal issues are eligible to apply.

Program funding covers the intern expenses such as salary, travel and housing. The host site provides supervision and a place to work.

Host site selections will be announced by January 15th, 2011 and the host site applications will be posted on the EEOP website. Intern selection will begin February 15th, 2011. The host site staff will assist in the intern selection process.

Successful host site applications will outline an appropriate air quality project. The project should go beyond general secretarial/clerical support, but be feasible for a student with a ten week time line. The project must have an identifiable supervisor/mentor that is on location and committed to the interns' professional and academic development. The supervisor/mentor should ensure there is sufficient space, facilities and resources to support the project. The application should describe the type of project the student will be working on and how it relates to air quality. An outstanding application will describe the activities in which the student will be involved and provide a brief work-plan.

If you have a local student interested in an internship with your office, please let the student know about the SSI program and encourage him/her to apply.

Student Summer Internship (SSI) Program – Need Interns:

The EEOP staff is recruiting interns for Summer 2011. The deadline for student intern on-line application is Feb 15th. (www.nau.edu/eeop) (Supporting documentation is due by Feb 22nd.) The host sites selected will be published on the website shortly after January 15th and the intern selection process will begin February 15th. There will be two categories of internships, level 1 and level 2.

Level 1. A intern in this category will be from a tribal college or a freshman at a four-year college. These will be typically be less experienced interns, with less of a track record. The project will be appropriate for a beginning level intern.

Level 2. An intern in this category will have completed at least 2 years of college credit and will have more experiences related to environmental work. The projects should challenge a more advanced student.

Interns are eligible for host sites that will be selected from across the nation. There is an online intern application (www.nau.edu/eeop) that should be completed, followed by several additional documents can be mailed to the EEOP office. All the documents submitted will be evaluated for clear, effective communications.

The internship is designed to give college students an opportunity to:

- Assist EPA/Tribal agencies with environmental issues.
- Acquire ready-to-use skills.
- Gain actual experience while contributing to a project.
- Earn \$4,000 during the ten week experience.

- Receive a limited housing allowance.
- Receive a limited travel allowance.

Eligible interns will meet the following requirements:

- Be a US Citizen.
- Be a full-time student (12 hrs undergrad, 9 hrs grad) with satisfactory academic standing.
- Major in environmental or related field like science, engineering, planning, policy, law, management, political science, anthropology, health, etc.
- Be proficient verbal and written communication skills.
- Interested in working with Native American tribes or topics.

If you would like to be an intern at a tribal office of your choice, you are encouraged to contact the tribal office and suggest that they submit a host site application.

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