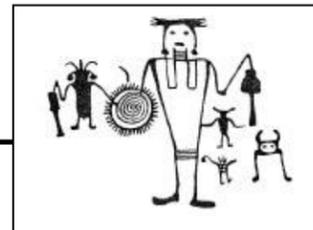


Ashley National Forest – U.S. Forest Service

Summer 2009 Heritage Employment and Internships

Great opportunities for Archaeology students or recent graduates



Summer Employment

Ashley National Forest is looking to employ up to three seasonal archaeological technicians at the GS-4 (\$13.00 per hour) or GS-5 (\$14.50 per hour) level. Prior experience in field survey is a requirement and applicants will be selected based on their experience and ability to conduct cultural resource field surveys in the Intermountain West. Seasonal employment will be through the Student Temporary Employment Program (STEP). Applicants must be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a degree-seeking student in an accredited high school, college, or university to be eligible for the position.

If you don't have sufficient experience to qualify for the paid positions, please consider applying for the internship program and get the additional experience you need.

Internship

The Ashley National Forest is looking for up to three individuals to participate in our Heritage Internship Program. Running for over ten years, the program is a remarkable opportunity to provide experience in field archaeology to aspiring archaeologists. The program provides field experience that is essential to a successful career in archaeology. Interns are not paid a wage, but receive a stipend of \$25.00 per work day plus free housing.

No prior field experience is required but applicants with field experience are encouraged to apply. Applicants who are students or graduates in an archaeology related program will also be given a higher priority during consideration. Ashley Heritage Interns will have the chance to gain experience in field survey, site documentation, field mapping, and other aspects of federal archaeology.

Duties

Duties for both the seasonal archaeological technicians and interns will be to assist as a crew member in archaeological field surveys on the forest. Field surveys will be completed in anticipation of prescribed wildlife burns, timber sales, and other projects requiring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

Amenities

Seasonal employees and interns will be provided housing which they share with other Forest employees or interns. Seasonal employees will pay a subsidized monthly rent to help cover housing costs, but interns are provided free housing as part of the internship stipend. Seasonal employees and interns provide their own clothing, shoes, toiletries, and other personal items.

About the Ashley National Forest

The Ashley National Forest, with headquarters in Vernal, Utah, comprises 1.3 million acres located in the northeastern portion of Utah and southwestern portion of Wyoming.

The Forest is bordered by the Uintah and Ouray Ute Indian Reservation, the Uinta and Wasatch-Cache National Forests, private property, and lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management and State of Utah. Dinosaur National Monument is located approximately 10 miles east of the Forest (and Vernal).

The vast Uinta Mountains watershed within the Forest boundary provides vital water supplies for power, industry, farm, and city use in Utah, Nevada, Wyoming, and California. Sheep, cattle, and horses graze under permit on over a half million acres of the Forest each season. Over 2.5 million visitors come to the Forest each year to participate in outstanding outdoor recreation activities, such as boating, fishing, camping, hiking, backpacking, and horseback riding.

The Forest landscape ranges from high desert country to high mountain areas. The elevation varies from a low of 6,000 feet to a high of 13,528 feet above sea level at the summit of Kings Peak (which is the highest peak in Utah).

About the Vernal Area

Vernal, Utah is a relatively remote community of around 15,000. The city is the commercial hub of northeastern Utah and is heavily impacted by Oil and Gas exploration and extraction in the area. Vernal attractions include two theaters, over 20 restaurants, three grocery stores, a community recreation center, a bowling alley, the Utah Museum of Natural History, various retail stores, and several bars.

How to Apply

Please email or mail the following information to the Ashley Heritage Program:

- A cover letter which includes:
 - Why you would like this job
 - Whether you are applying for the internship or the seasonal position (or both)[You will be selected for the highest position for which you qualify]
 - Your educational status (IE. Finishing Junior year; recently graduated (give date); 1st year graduate student; etc.)
- Your resume or curriculum vita showing your education and archaeological experiences.
- Your full contact information.
- Your available start and ending dates.

Employment and Internship times are relatively flexible but will be approximately from May to August.

Preferences will be given to those who submit their information first and to those with archaeological experience. Initial review of positions will begin March 16 and continue until filled.

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