

MUSEUM OF THE ALEUTIANS

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Museum of the Aleutians Internship

Position/Title: Summer Intern

Position Type: Temporary, full-time, up to 40 hours a week,

Internship Period: June-August

Compensation: \$16 - 20 per hour, range depending on prior experience.

Internship Description:

The Museum of the Aleutians offers an internship program to provide practical training experience to high school students interested in pursuing careers in Museum work. This internship is with the Museum of the Aleutians, a nonprofit museum located on a remote island in the Aleutian Islands in the City of Unalaska, Alaska. Interns will work as part of the Museum team, experiencing the dynamic environment required to bring programs to this community.

This internship will provide training in:

- 1. Museum collections: The intern will work with our collections manager to learn how to catalog and handle objects in the Museum's care.
- 2. Archaeological lab work and excavation: The intern will assist with ongoing archaeological and will learn how to clean, sort, and catalog artifacts as well as excavate archaeological sites.
- **3.** Exhibition installation: The intern will work with staff on exhibition installations in our temporary gallery. This will include wall preparation, careful handling of objects, and assisting with object display.
- **4.** Visitors Services: The intern will learn how to assist visitors with their experience in the museum, which includes assisting with the daily operation of the museum, answering visitor questions, and working with a team to develop educational programs.

Interns will be expected to work at the Museum of the Aleutians up to 40 hours per week, for up to 12 weeks. Interns should expect to work on weekends, and some irregular work days when the cruise ships are in town to assist visitors with their visit.

Objectives and Learning Goals:

- Engage and educate diverse audiences
- Collaborate with a team on a wide range of tasks
- Create awareness of museum best practices, nonprofit operations,
- Gain practical experience in archaeological field and lab methods
- Research skills
- Attention to detail