INTERN JOB DESCRIPTION
Summer 2023
Indian Education for All Intern

Department: Education

Intern Direct Supervisor: Heather Bender

2023 Project Overview and Goal: The Native Education Outreach Program will actively use the Plains Indian Museum’s resources and collections to foster broader understanding and stronger exchanges between Native communities, the Center, and its many audiences. Interns will support this program by developing and reviewing teacher submitted Indian Education for All lesson plans. In addition, interns will support the Native Education Outreach Specialist in disseminating resources and lesson plans to teachers statewide.

Goals for 2023 will be to add resources and content to Padlet, review teacher submitted lesson plans and prepare them for dissemination in online access portals such as Padlet. Support 2023 IEFA On-site Professional Development for teachers in June. Work with Indigenous knowledge keepers, Native Education Outreach Specialist, and teachers statewide to support Wyoming Indian Education for All standards.

Specific Duties / Responsibilities:
- Develop an understanding of Wyoming Indian Education for All standards and create IEFA lesson plans using BBCW/PIM content and resources.
- Review/refine/revise IEFA lesson plans submitted to the Native Education Outreach Specialist by Wyoming teachers.
- Support Native Education Outreach Specialist in developing IEFA educator trainings and other museum education programs.

Qualifications:
- Advanced undergraduate or graduate-level students, and/or practicing educators.
- Interest in Indigenous Studies, Indian Education for All, culturally sustaining Pedagogy, and/or Diversity, Equity, Access, and Inclusion strongly encouraged.
- Experience in research and lesson plan development.
- Must be able to sit or stand for long periods of time.
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and collaboratively.
- Strong interpersonal, communication, and writing skills.

Institutional Goals and Benefits: The internship will provide the Center/Education with an opportunity to provide an experience in Indian Education for All standards lesson development, place-based and project-based education practices, informal education programming, and collaboration with Indigenous communities and various museum audiences.

Strategic plan themes addressed will include:
- Knowledge (Increase the impact of research/content in Indian Education for All, Indigenous Studies, etc.).
- Audience (Content development for Indian Education for All in ways that will make the museum both relevant and experiential).
- Community (Foster collaboration and community across Wyoming educators, Indigenous communities, higher education, and museum staff and visitors).