



GEORGE C. PAGE MUSEUM
AT THE
LA BREA TAR PITS

MUSEUM INTERNSHIP

Title: Tar Pits Interpreter

Location: Pit 91 in Hancock Park
Page Museum at the La Brea Tar Pits
5801 Wilshire Blvd., LA, CA 90036

Direct Supervisor: Brooke Applegate- School Visits Coordinator

Description: This intern will receive training in the Page Museum Education department and Laboratory where s/he will learn about the kind of fossils that have been recovered from the world's richest Ice Age fossil site, and how these are excavated from Pit 91 and then processed in the lab. The intern will be in charge of the Viewing Station of Pit 91 where s/he will share this wealth of knowledge with the public, the bulk of whom will be school children. S/he will be responsible for interpreting the contents of the pit, explaining to guests how the animals became entrapped, how they died, and how they were preserved, and sharing with guests the many other wonders of the La Brea Tar Pits story. The intern will be in radio communication with the museum Education staff, and adequate workspace and use of a computer will be available. The main focus of the internship will be to *inspire wonder* by exposing museum guests to what a real, active tar pit excavation site looks like, further illuminating the collections on exhibit inside the museum.

Commitment: A minimum commitment of 6 hours per week, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:30-12:30 (i.e. two three hour sessions), with a maximum of 15 hours available depending upon intern availability and interest (3 hours a day, M-F).

Compensation: This is an unpaid internship. Class credit (independent study, internship, etc.) is available per the consent of professor and department.

Eligibility: Must possess a passion for learning and an interest in inspiring wonder! (Students with an interest in Geology, Anthropology, Biology or History encouraged to apply, though such training is not required, and all are welcome.)

Inquiries: Please send cover letter and resume to 5801 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90036, Attn: Brooke Applegate; Ph. 323/857-6300, ext. 111; Fx. 323/933-3974.