

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS--EXCITING INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!!!

THE **DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY** IS SPONSORING THE FOLLOWING INTERNSHIPS—

Fall (credit-bearing) minimum 10/hrs week. Scheduling is flexible.

These are ethnographically-grounded internships sponsored by the Department of Anthropology. By ethnographically-grounded, we mean focused on the human dimensions of the experience, in which interns will engage in thinking ethically and anthropologically. In order to ensure an anthropologically/social sciences-grounded internship, interns are encouraged to enroll, concurrently (for fall internships), in the **Internship Seminar (ANT451a)** in which the anthropological/social science aspects of the internships will be clarified through group discussion.

Exact content/expectations of the internships will be developed in consultation with both faculty supervisor(s) and internship site supervisor:

NORTH STAR UNDERGROUND RAILROAD MUSEUM—

1131 Mace Chasm Rd, Ausable Chasm, NY 12911

Site Supervisor—Museum President, Jackie Madison

These internships will provide students an opportunity to learn about the underground railroad that provided enslaved people a path to freedom and the important role the North Country played in a critical historic period.

Potential Projects:

Media and Community Outreach—this internship will focus on enhancing MEDIA access to and about the Museum. Interns will research the broad range of new and constantly changing forms of media/social media to best reach a broad demographic, including older generations but, most specifically, younger adults [Millennials, GEN Ys, GEN Z's] and K-12 youth. Interns will design social media content and implement content to expand access to the Museum and the importance of the history it represents to local, regional, national and international audiences. Intern may work on expanding media outreach to Canada and developing resources in French.

For students interested in a:

COLLABORATIVE VIDEO PROJECT:

Multiple internships for students with interests Video
Production/History/Ethnography/Linguistics/Theater

Project: Update and remake of the 2006 video currently shown in the Museum, depicting stories of slaves making their way north to Canada via the Underground Railroad. Video

production students will engage their skills, using current video technology and film techniques to provide the technical component, social science/history-oriented students will develop scene and script content ensuring historical and cultural accuracy of the re-enactments, students interested in linguistic anthropology will focus on researching speech patterns, accents and dialects of those populations moving along the Underground Railroad. Local theater students may be engaged in serving as actors in the re-enactment components of the video.

[This may be a multi-semester project.]

For students interested in **EDUCATION, ART, MEDIA, ARCHAEOLOGY, CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY, HISTORY**

TRAVELING TRUNK SHOWS—FOR K-12 and COLLEGE-LEVEL

Knowledge of the Underground Railroad in the North Country is often overlooked in the K-12 student experience and often minimally addressed in college classrooms. Therefore, this internship will focus on expanding outreach to students, of all ages, via the design and implementation of innovative and interactive traveling trunk shows. The intent of these trunk shows will be to inform, engage and excite students about their local, regional and national history.

Minimum requirements:

- An interest in anthropology, social sciences, art, media, ethnographic & historical research, tourism, education, community outreach, video production and design. Preference may be given to anthropology majors/minors--however, **all interested students are encouraged to apply!**
- Maturity, strong work ethic, initiative and the ability to collaborate with diverse groups of people
- Enthusiasm and a willingness to learn about museums, historical realities, human dynamics and culture!

These are ***career-building opportunities*** for the right students to learn valuable skills in collaboration, research, project management, training and education, presentation and problem-solving while contributing to a valued North Country community partner. Transportation needed.

Students interested in the fall credit-bearing internships--**application deadline: August 15, 2022**, should indicate their interest and submit the following application materials:

- A **statement of interest (one-page maximum)** and how this internship may support your academic and/or professional interests
- a **list of any relevant courses**, and
- a **copy of your DegreeWorks**.

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