

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS

EXCITING INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!!!

THE DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY IS SPONSORING THE FOLLOWING INTERNSHIPS—

Fall/Spring credit-bearing internships: 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-grounded internship, interns are encouraged to enroll, concurrently (for fall internships), in the **Internship Seminar (ANT451a)** in which the anthropological aspects of the internships will be clarified through group discussion.

Exact content/expectations of the internships will be developed in consultation among student, anthropology faculty sponsor and internship site supervisor:

For students interested in:

Small Business, Entrepreneurship, Community and Culture in the North Country and the Broader Champlain Valley—

Community Partner: **BEEHIVE BEAUTY Salon**
Plattsburgh, NY

Internship Site Supervisor: Elizabeth Boolukos, Owner & Operator

Interested in exploring the role of small business in rural communities? Interested in how, predominantly women-owned and operated, small businesses get started, open for business and sustain a customer base in areas with low populations? Interested in exploring in how issues of gender, ethnicity, community, economy, social networking, supply-chain challenges and family structure impact the lives of small business owners, their families, their customers and their entrepreneurship endeavors in the North Country and broader Champlain Valley? Under the guidance of Elizabeth Boolukos, a successful independent salon owner, interns will delve into the world of independent beauty salons in the North Country. This internship will allow you to engage social science research tools (under the guidance of your faculty sponsor) to acquire first-hand accounts from independent salon owners about how they first envisioned their businesses and their decision-making processes that led to the salons they now operate. Through participant/observation, interns will consider the *direct* services offered by independent salons, but also the *indirect* services they provide their customers and the broader role these businesses serve in their communities. Interns may also delve into comparative research with students at local beauty schools and aesthetician programs to learn about the

backgrounds and motivations of those with entrepreneurship aspirations and desires to open their own independent beauty salons.

Minimum requirements:

- An interest in anthropology, social sciences, ethnographic & historical research, entrepreneurship, gender, culture and community, education, and community outreach, rural environments. 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 small business, entrepreneurship, economics, the beauty industry, historical and contemporary realities, human dynamics and culture!

This is a ***career-building opportunity*** for the right student(s) to learn valuable skills in project management, collaboration, education and training, social science research skills and problem-solving while contributing to a valued North Country community partner and expanding our understanding of the businesses that support the North Country community and economy. Transportation needed.

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

--**A one-page (maximum) statement of interest 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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