

Scholarship, Internship Opportunities

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Scholarship Opportunity Announcements

Title: The Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) Travel Scholarships
Deadline: TBA
E-mail: info@sfaa.net
Website: www.sfaa.net

The Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) will honor the memory of Dr. Beatrice Medicine with an annual student travel scholarship. The scholarship will provide financial support for two students (graduate or undergraduate) to attend the annual meeting of the society. Two awards (\$500 each) will be made to attend the 69th Annual Meeting of the SfAA in Santa Fe, N.M., on March 17-21, 2009.

Application forms and additional information regarding the Bea Medicine Travel Awards are now available. Please contact the Offices of the Society for additional information.

Internship Opportunity Announcement

Title: Grantmaking and Administrative Internship, First Nations Development Institute

Contact: Andrea Wieland, Communications Specialist
E-mail: awieland@firstnations.org
Website: www.firstnations.org

Grantmaking and Administrative Internship: First Nations Development Institute provides both financial and technical resources to Tribes and Native non-profit organizations to support asset-based development efforts that fit within the culture and are sustainable. The department offers support through the Eagle Staff Fund (including special initiatives within ESF), as well as other donor-advised and donor-designated funds.

Intern Responsibilities Include: Assist grants officer and the associate director of Training and Technical Assistance with managing grantee files and information, help president with correspondence to funders and donors, organization, filing and data entry of information related to grantmaking. This internship is a non-paying for credit internship. Please go to our website for more information on this opportunity, www.firstnations.org, or contact Andrea Wieland, communications specialist, at awieland@firstnations.org.

Title: Native American Philanthropy Internship, First Nations Development Institute

Location: Longmont, Colo.
Contact: Andrea Wieland, Communications Specialist
E-mail: awieland@firstnations.org
Website: www.firstnations.org

Native American Philanthropy Internship: This internship will be working within the Strengthening Native Philanthropy program (SNAP) at First Nations Development Institute in Longmont, Colo. This opportunity will introduce the intern to the issues surrounding the development and startup of an American Indian philanthropic organization, as well as how these organizations function within Indian Country. The intern also will have the opportunity to work with a philanthropic organization in its beginning and learn more about setting up such an organization.

Intern Responsibilities Include: Researching Native foundations structures nationally – "7871" or "501(c)3." Researching and developing a referral list of lawyers who work with Native non-profits. Organization, filing and data entry of information related to Native philanthropy organizations. Basic design and marketing.

This internship is a non-paying for credit internship. Please go to our website for more information on this opportunity, www.firstnations.org, or contact Andrea Wieland, communications specialist, at awieland@firstnations.org.

DHS Invites Students to Enter National Radon Poster Contest

Oregon students ages 9 to 14 are invited to compete in the 2009 National Radon Poster Contest.

Oregon's first-place winner will receive a \$250 gift card to The Discovery Store. The second-place winner will receive a \$100 gift card and the third-place winner a \$50 gift card.

As an incentive to teachers and educators, a \$100 gift card to Acorn Naturalists for classroom supplies will be awarded to the teacher of the artist who creates the winning poster. Money for the prizes is provided by the National Safety Council.

In addition to the gift cards, the top three Oregon posters will be sent on to the National Radon Poster Contest. The winner of the national contest will receive an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., to participate in an awards ceremony along with a parent and a teacher.

"The goal is to raise awareness about radon gas and to encourage people to test their homes," said Brett Sherry, radon coordinator in the Oregon Department

Scholarship Announcement For American Indian/Alaskan Natural Resource Students

Deadline: Jan. 30, 2009, 5 p.m. PST

Award: \$2,000 for college students (number of awards varies per year); \$1,500 for graduating senior high school students

Purpose: The Truman D. Picard Scholarship Program is dedicated to the support of American Indian students pursuing a higher education in natural resources.

Required Material: The Education Selection Committee will review and rank only those applicants who completely address each area. Please be specific. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Letter of Application: The letter must include your name, permanent mailing address, e-mail address if available and phone number. It should be a maximum of two pages in length and discuss the following:

1. Interest in natural resources
2. Commitment to education, community and your culture
3. Financial need. Students who have completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) should attach the Student Aid Report or have the report sent to the ITC office.

- Résumé
- Three signed letters of reference, preferably on letterhead
- Evidence of validated enrollment in a federally recognized Tribe or Alaska Native Corporation, as established by the U.S. government.

A photocopy of your enrollment card, front and back, will suffice.

- Transcripts: All students must include transcripts.

High school students also must provide documented proof of acceptance to an institution of higher education.

- College students also must provide proof of their declared major.

All requested information must be received by the close of business (5 p.m.) Jan. 30, 2009, for consideration.

For more information, please visit our website, www.itcnet.org; fax, 503-282-1274 and e-mail itc1@teleport.com. Submissions are acceptable as long as we receive them by 5 p.m. Jan. 30, 2009, and the original is mailed and postmarked by Jan. 30, 2009.

Inquiries and applications should be directed to the Intertribal Timber Council Office:

Attn: Education Committee
Intertribal Timber Council
1112 NE 21st Ave., Suite 4
Portland, OR 97232-2114
503-282-4296

The Intertribal Timber Council (ITC) has cooperative financial aid agreements with the University of Washington and Salish Kootenai College. Recipients of the ITC Truman Picard Scholarship are eligible to receive additional scholarships, including tuition waivers.

For more information, visit the ITC website or contact the colleges directly.

Truman D. Picard (1946-1986)

To honor Truman D. Picard, the ITC established a scholarship program in his name. Truman served on the ITC Board of Directors from 1982 to 1985.

While working for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Colville Agency (Nespelem, Wash.), in presales he attended the Forest Engineering Institute at Oregon State University, becoming one of the first people from the agency to complete this program.

In 1977, Truman transferred to the Colville Tribal Forestry organization, taking a position as supervisory forest technician in charge of woods operations. Later he was promoted to assistant supervisor of forestry operations.

Because of his drive and determination to complete his education, Truman returned to Oregon State University, earning a bachelor's of science degree in forest management.

Upon his return from college, he was appointed director of Colville Tribal Forestry. His work for the Tribe will always be remembered by his individual efforts to bring BIA Forestry and Colville Tribal Forestry together in a joint effort to improve the level of forest management on the reservation.