### SMOKE SIGNALS

## **EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES**

### Last chance to apply for 2011 Gates Millennium Scholarship

The 2011 Gates Millennium Scholarship application process is now open. Each year 1,000 students receive a Gates Millennium Scholarship to cover 100 percent of their unmet need for the college of their choice. Applicants must meet the following criteria to apply:

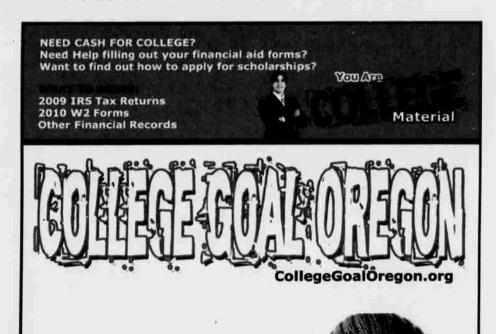
- Are African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American or Hispanic American;
- Have at least a 3.3 high school GPA at time of application, or have earned a GED;
- Will enroll for the first time at a U.S. located, accredited college or university in the fall of 2011 as a full-time, degree-seeking, first-year student (with the exception of students pursuing a high school diploma while concurrently enrolled). First-time college enrollees can also be GED recipients;
- Have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular or other activities;
- · Meet the federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria.

Visit www.gmsp.org/ to apply. Application deadline is Jan. 10, 2011. Don't wait to the last minute to apply!

## What is an internship?

An internship (full-time/part-time) is a real world experience related to your career goals and interests. It may, but does not have to be related /connected to your academic major or minor. Internships can be done during the academic semester and/or summer. There are several varieties of internships: some are paid, some are not and some offer credit towards graduation (from Stonybrook University's Career Center).

Internships can be what helps you stand out in your job interviews after college. Most employers look for a combination of formal education and experience. Not only are you gaining valuable hands-on experience, you are also networking and making connections to professionals in your future career field. CTGR Higher Education encourages students to explore internship opportunities to supplement their college education.



## **College deadlines**

Attention entering high school seniors; it's time to think about applying for college. Oregon University System schools' admission application/ scholarship deadlines:

EASTERN OREGON UNIVERSITY – March 1, 2011 OREGON INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY – Feb. 1, 2011 OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY – Feb. 1, 2011

PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY – Priority Action Application Deadline – Dec. 1, 2010. General Scholarship Deadline – Feb. 1, 2011

SOUTHERN OREGON UNIVERSITY - Feb. 15, 2011

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON - Jan. 15, 2011

WESTERN OREGON UNIVERSITY - Feb. 11, 2011

To register, go to www.collegeboard.com or to register for the ACT test, go to www.act.org.

# Upcoming internship opportunities

Smithsonian Institution Native American Awards Program Visiting student award for advanced graduate students. Summer and Fall 2011 Deadline: Feb. 1 Visit www.si.edu/research+study for more information.

Smithsonian Minority Student Internship Program Smithsonian James E. Webb Minority Internship for Students in Business

Summer and Fall 2011 Deadline: Feb. 1 Visit www.si.edu/ofg/intern.htm#iofg for more information.

Smithsonian Native American Community Scholar Award For individuals to pursue independently designed research projects.

Summer and Fall 2011 deadline: Feb. 1 Visit www.si.edu/research+study for more information.

Washington (D.C.) Internships for Native Students Summer 2011 Deadline: Feb. 4 Visit www.american.edu/wins for more information.

Smithsonian Institution National Museum of the American Indian

Summer 2011 Deadline: Feb. 6

Visit www.nmai.si.edu and go to the "outreach" link for more information.

American Indian Science & Engineering Society Internships

AISES places students with their partner organizations each summer.

ASRC Federal Holding Company - Greenbelt, MD

AMERIND Risk Management Corporation - Santa Ana Pueblo, NM

Bonneville Power Administration: Environment, Fish and Wildlife - Portland, OR

NASA Goddard Space Flight Center - Greenbelt, MD (must apply with NASA by Feb. 1)

# JANUARY 15 2011

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Adult Education Building Grand Ronde, OR

### 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Oregon Student Assistance

For more information call 800-422-0232 x1345

Commission

### College Goal Sunday on Saturday at Grand Ronde

NASA Glenn Research Center - Cleveland, OH (must apply with NASA by Feb. 1)

Department of Veterans Affairs - Washington, D.C., and other various locations

Summer 2011 Deadline: Feb. 15 Visit http://www.aises.org/Programs/ScholarshipsandInternships/ Internships for more information

#### Northern Arizona Univ. Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals Summer 2011 Deadline: Feb. 15 Visit www.nau.edu/eeop for more information.

CBS News Internship Program Summer 2011 Deadline: Feb. 28 Email CC5@cbsnews.com for more information.

Public Health Summer Fellows Program Summer 2011 Deadline: Feb. 28 Visit www.msm.edu/educationTraining/degreePrograms/mph/summerProgram.aspx for more information.