



Internship Description

The Dr. Pound Farmstead, a heritage museum, is looking for interns interested in hosting tourist groups through costumed interpretation and demonstration. In addition, to the weekly docent role, the interns will also organize and facilitate a summer program for children. The interns who fill this position should expect to learn the history of the establishment of Dripping Springs, museum operations, period artisanal skills, public relations and education. This is an excellent program for those considering employment in public relations, education, museum studies, history or theater.

It's essential that applicants to this position have strong communication skills, demonstrate creativity, and understand the importance of attending to even the smallest details.

Responsibilities

- Learn and memorize scripted tour materials encompassing historical information.
- Learn and demonstrate simple artisanal skills, such as candle dipping, butter-making, embroidery, etc.
- Provide costumed interpretive interactions with guests.
- Assist in a variety of maintenance and operational tasks – must be comfortable with some physical labor.
- Serve as lead educator and camp counselor for children's daily program
- Organize and facilitate arts and crafts.
- Organize and facilitate games and activities.

Requirements and Qualifications

- Public Relations, Communications, Education, Museum studies, Theater or History major (for High School students, those interested in these areas)
- Strong verbal communication skills
- Ability to comfortably interact with the public
- Experience in child-care and/or education
- Minimum age requirement of 16
- Must be available the specified days and times (please see schedule)
- Completed Application and two letters of recommendation

Benefits

- Shadowing, mentoring, and training opportunities with skilled historians, educators and museum professionals
- Professional experience that looks great on a resume for future employment and/or school admissions
- Non-demanding schedule for students
- Hourly Compensation: \$13.00/hr.

Schedule and Duration

This is a seasonal position hiring now and running from May through July. One weekly shift from 10:00am-3:00pm on Saturdays, with an additional 20 hours scheduled for the children's summer program (dates for the camp are TBD).