

The Mammoth Site Summer Internships

Summer 2018

The Mammoth Site is a sinkhole of late Pleistocene fauna. Over 10,000 vertebrate and invertebrate fossils have been uncovered at The Mammoth Site from its initial field season in 1974 to present. These bones belong mostly to Columbian mammoths; more than 2,000 specimens are preserved *in-situ*. At least 29 other vertebrate species are found at the site, and specimens of 53 invertebrate and botanical species, help explain a long ago ecosystem.

Internship Positions

Two types of seasonal internships starting in May and ending in August. Positions are:

- Up to 40 hours per week for 10-16 weeks (will include some weekends).
- Compensation: \$9.00/hour with onsite housing*.

***Housing:** Housing is provided to interns as part of compensation on Mammoth Site property. Housing is residential housing near The Mammoth Site, within the town limits of Hot Springs, SD. Laundry facilities are available on site.

Responsibilities

Interpretive Internships

(Six available positions)

- Public Interpretation of Science
- Educational Programs
- Guest Services and Memberships
- Front Desk Operations

Conservation Internships

(Four available positions)

- Fossil preparation, stabilization
- Research assistance
- Fossil recovery and documentation
- Field work education

Deadline: February 28, 2018

Deadline: January 31, 2018



Preferred Qualifications

Interpretive Internships

- Advanced experience (>1 year) with public speaking and/or docent work.
- Customer Service (>1 year)
- Experience in education program delivery and development.

Conservation Internships

- One year or more of vertebrate or invertebrate preparation, and/or museum curatorial experience in vertebrate paleontology.
- A working knowledge of Microsoft Office, Excel, Access, and/or ArcGIS software.

Minimum Qualifications

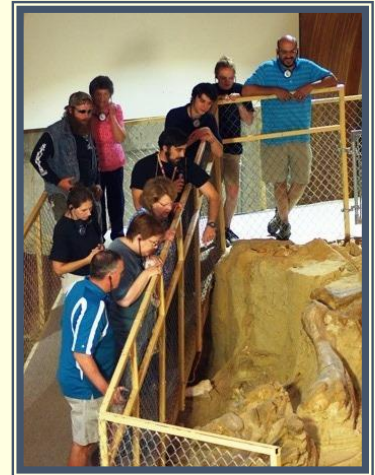
Interpretive

Undergraduate (or higher) in the following or related majors: primary, secondary, and/or science education; tourism and/or hospitality.

Conservation

Undergraduate (or higher) in the following or related majors: anthropology/archaeology, biology, geology, or museum studies.

- Availability to start work on or prior to May 14, 2018 and continue through August 17, 2018.
- Basic experience (≥3 months) public speaking, teaching, and/or work with children.
- Good organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Solid interpersonal skills, with the ability to work independently or as part of a team.
- **You must be able to lift 25-35 lbs.** This is paramount to your work here at The Mammoth Site; the primary educational responsibility of a Mammoth Site intern is leading Junior & Advanced Paleontologist classes. These classes involve repetitive lifting of buckets full of sediment.



International Students – You must be at least in your second year at a US academic institution, have US citizenship, or previously established work visa to be considered.

Application: Visit The Mammoth Site website (<http://mammothsite.com/volunteeremployment-opportunities/>) for your application and contact Justin Wilkins:

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You will receive a **Mammoth Site application and two academic reference forms**; you must submit these materials with a **current CV, unofficial university transcript and cover letter** by **January 31, 2018 (Conservation)** or **February 28, 2018 (Interpretive)**.