

## PHMC Internships for students of color (Pennsylvania)

The Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission (PHMC), the state history agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, is once again offering a selected number of paid summer internships to outstanding students of color through its Minority Internship Program.

Six paid Minority Internships will be offered during Summer 2007: two each at the Independence Seaport Museum and the Philadelphia Museum of Art, both in Philadelphia; and two at PHMC, either at its Harrisburg headquarters or one of its 25 field sites around the Commonwealth. Internships are available in a variety of fields and professional areas, ranging from marketing to curation, historic preservation to archival practice, development to museum education. Interns serve for 12 weeks and are paid \$4000.

The Minority Student Internship Program is designed to introduce upper level undergraduate and graduate students of color to careers in museums and related fields. It represents a commitment by PHMC, as well as collaborating institutions, to increase the participation of minorities in the museum field; and recognizes that pre-professional experience in museums and cultural institutions is key to achieving this goal. Interns work closely with a staff mentor, who both guides the student on specific projects and orients him or her to the broader context of the work. We encourage students to earn academic credit for their internships and work closely with faculty to ensure that their students have an outstanding experience and adhere to all academic program requirements.

A full description of the Program, including information about partner institutions, internship specifications, and application materials, is available at <http://www.phmc.state.pa.us/bah/doh/internship/summer2007.asp#minority>. The application deadline is January 26, 2007.

The website noted above includes information about additional internship opportunities at the Historical and Museum Commission, for which we would also most welcome applications.

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