

## **Internship Announcement:**

### **The Gene Polk Science Internship Program – Archeology Summer 2009**

#### **Grand Canyon National Park (South Rim and North Rim) Division of Science and Resource Management: Archeology Program**

The Grand Canyon Association (GCA) is currently accepting applications for an exciting internship program in support of the National Park Service (NPS) at Grand Canyon National Park. Projects will be supervised by resource managers from a variety of disciplines within the Division of Science and Resource Management. Successful applicants will have an opportunity to gain professional experience, develop working relationships with NPS resource managers, and contribute to the preservation and protection of the Grand Canyon, one of America's iconic national treasures. Funds supporting this program were contributed to honor Gene Polk, a long time supporter of conservation.

#### **Overview**

This internship will support Grand Canyon National Park's Archeology Program and will be based on Grand Canyon Village on the South Rim. The Archeology Program is responsible for inventorying, monitoring, and managing archeological resources within the park. Currently, just over 4,000 sites have been documented within the park. Sites range from the Paleo-Indian to historic periods with most sites associated with the Ancestral Puebloans between AD 900 and 1100. Site types include pueblos, granaries, rock art, artifact scatters, and historic sites.

The primary focus of the internship will be conducting site monitoring at various locations on the North and South Rims. Monitoring will consist of visiting previously recorded sites, assessing impacts and threats to the sites, updating photographs and documentation, using GPS to log site locations, and documenting the overall site condition. After a short training period, the incumbent will be expected to work largely independently. The intern will enter all field data into the Grand Canyon Archeological Database and prepare a report documenting their findings. The precise scope of the intern's project will be determined based on their interest and skills. The applicant may have an opportunity to assist with other projects such as site inventory and ruins preservation.

#### **Knowledge and Skills Required**

- Coursework (min 3 hours) in Southwest Archeology at either undergraduate or graduate level. Enrollment in an undergraduate or graduate program in anthropology/archeology is a plus.
- Completion of archeological field school or a minimum of 3 months of field experience in the Southwest. Experience using a GPS is a plus.
- Able to identify archeological materials of the Southwest, experience working with artifacts from northern Arizona is a plus.

- Able to read a topographic map and use a compass.
- Basic knowledge of MSOffice programs (especially word processing and databases). Experience using GIS is a plus.
- Must be physically fit, willing and able to work hard with flexible hours, and be able to lift and carry 15- 30 lb. loads and hike several miles per day over uneven terrain.
- Possess good communication skills and the ability to work within a team structure and in a flexible manner.
- Ability to get along well with others in close living quarters and sometimes cramped workspace and/or challenging field conditions.
- Ability to be self-motivated and work independently.
- Valid Driver's License (a government vehicle will be available for work related tasks).

### **Timing, Housing, and Compensation**

- The internship will be June 8 through August 28, 2009.
- The intern will be compensated \$500 per week during the term of their internship.
- The intern will be based on the South Rim and shared housing will be provided.

### **How to Apply**

For more information or to apply please e-mail a cover letter, resume, and reference contact information to: Leona Begishie, [lbegishie@grandcanyon.org](mailto:lbegishie@grandcanyon.org), or mail to: PO Box 399, Grand Canyon Association, Grand Canyon, AZ 86023. Please specify which internship you are applying for.