

**A few of the most popular
HISTORY placements available through
The Philadelphia Center:**

African American Museum in Philadelphia; Collections/Exhibitions Intern: The African American Museum in Philadelphia, founded in 1976, is dedicated to collecting, preserving, and interpreting the material and intellectual culture of African Americans in Philadelphia, the Delaware Valley, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the Americas. The Museum's collection has grown to include over 500,000 objects, images and documents ranging from utilitarian and domestic objects to fine and folk art, memorabilia, furnishings and costumes, photographs and negatives, books and more. Collections/Exhibitions Intern will assist Collections Department staff in making research inquiries; preparing guides to the archives, artifacts and fine art; and assisting with the installation of exhibits. Intern will also work closely with Exhibition staff doing research, preservations, archiving, maintaining installation calendar and artist files, and acting as a museum docent.

Historical Society of Pennsylvania; Research Assistant: To bring history to the people and the people to history, The Historical Society of Pennsylvania works to expand American history's documentation, accessibility, and use. Founded in 1824 and significantly augmented in 2002 by The Balch Institute for Ethnic Studies, the Society serves as a vital gateway to historical resources and understanding for educators and researchers, regional heritage preservationists and presenters, and community history partners. The Society preserves and explores the origins, diversity, and development of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the nation as one of the great repositories of United States history, as the preeminent library of Pennsylvania, and as a distinguished publisher and educator. Research Assistant is responsible for helping the Director of Programs to research information for future planned exhibits.

Independence Seaport Museum; Education Intern: Independence Seaport Museum (ISM) is a history museum that highlights the maritime heritage of the Delaware Valley Region. Through interactive exhibits, displays of maritime arts and artifacts, and tours of historic ships, ISM has activities for visitors of all ages. The Independence Seaport Museum seeks a dynamic and energetic Education Intern to work with department on all aspects of educational programming. Responsibilities include: assisting in the development of activities in the department including devising visual materials and educational tools as well as creating lesson plans to be used for visiting school groups; assist in providing tours of the two historic ships -- U.S.S. Olympia and Becuna; assist in presenting educational programming in galleries; developing evaluations of new lessons and analyzing results; supervise our Jr. Docents -- Middle and High School age volunteers; other duties as assigned. Ideal candidates will be majoring in history, education or museum studies. Some teaching experience preferred but not mandatory.

Independence National Historic Park; Curatorial or Historical Intern: Independence National Historical Park, located in downtown Philadelphia, is often referred to as the birthplace of our nation. At the park, visitors can see the Liberty Bell, an international symbol of freedom, and Independence Hall, a World Heritage Site where both the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution were created. In addition, the park interprets events and the lives of the diverse population during the years when

Philadelphia was the capital of the United States from 1790 to 1800. A section of the park where Benjamin Franklin's home once stood is dedicated to teaching about Franklin's life and accomplishments. Spanning approximately 45 acres, the park has about 20 buildings open to the public. CURATORIAL Interns work with the Museum Branch staff on research projects. Care of historic collections, and fact-gathering for the preparation of management documents. Assignments vary as needed by the park. HISTORY interns may work with the History Branch. Responsibilities may include: conducting historical research and maintaining library and archives at Independence NHP. The student will conduct historical research, arrange and preserve archival records, and assist in professional reorganization of library.

National Constitution Center; Intern: The National Constitution Center, located on Philadelphia's Independence Mall, is the first museum in the world dedicated to honoring and explaining the United States Constitution through interactive and multi-media exhibits, artifacts, and film. The Center also includes the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, which sponsors national constitution education, debates, and is a resource and forum for visiting scholars and experts. Internships are available in a variety of areas, including museum programs, audiovisual, development, hr, graphics, marketing, public relations and program research, and exhibits.

Philadelphia Folklore Project; Program Assistant: The Philadelphia Folklore Project (PFP) is committed to sustaining the diverse folk arts of the greater Philadelphia region. A 17-year-old independent public folklife agency, PFP documents, supports, and presents Philadelphia-area folk arts and culture - including the arts of people who have been here generations and those who have just arrived. The people at PFP work to preserve and strengthen the folk cultural life of local communities and believe that the quality of urban life is directly related to the persistence, diversity and vitality of vernacular folk cultures. Each year PFP offers exhibitions, concerts, workshops and assistance to artists and communities. The organization conducts ongoing field research into community-based local arts, history, and culture, and preserves a record of Philadelphia's folklife in its archive. PFP's arts education programs give young people opportunities to study with amazing and diverse artists. Through publications, videos, traveling exhibitions, and other resources, PFP offers alternative versions of Philadelphia. Program assistant will assist with developing public program and exhibitions, assist in providing resources and technical assistance to traditional artists and community groups, work with staff folklorists and/or archivist in any area of non-profit administration, and gain experience in exhibit planning.

University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology; Museum Collections Management Intern: The University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology is a world class archaeology/anthropology museum with more than 1 million artifacts from ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia, China, the Americas, Africa and Polynesia. The University Museum, through its research, collections, and dissemination of knowledge, advances understanding of the world's cultural heritage. The Museum's commitments and aspirations are: research excellence, scientific and ethical integrity, highest standards of preservation and documentation of sites and collections, excellence in interpretive exhibits, effective communication with the public about the world's cultural heritage, service to the University of Pennsylvania community, and a supportive, diverse, and cooperative work environment.

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