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## **The Alan E. Carman Museum of Prehistory in Cumberland County Archaeological Collections Internship**

### **Background Information:**

The internship at the Alan E. Carman Museum of Prehistory in Cumberland County is designed to introduce the student to the world of small museums, giving them an overview of what it is like to work at and manage such institutions. The skills taught are critical to working in the museum industry and can be applied to larger museums as well. These skills include collections management, exhibit curation, and a variety of other museum responsibilities. The internship is also focused on teaching the student about New Jersey's pre-Contact Native American archaeology and artifact identification/interpretation. The program includes visits to other institutions within the Cumberland County Historical Society to expose the student to a greater variety of skills and possible jobs. The internship is ultimately designed to prepare the student for a career in museums, archaeology, or other opportunities in the field of historic preservation. The internship supervisor, Richard Adamczyk, is the museum curator and an archaeologist that also works in the cultural resource management industry.

### **Learning Objectives:**

- Identification of pre-Contact Native American artifacts, archaeology of pre-Contact NJ
- Accession systems, ethics of accepting objects, acquiring a deed of gift, deaccessioning
- Cataloging and curation, database management, and labeling artifacts
- Object organization and storage, tracking and documenting objects properly
- NAGPRA and collaboration with descendent communities
- Exhibit design and installation
- Tours and public engagement
- Writing for the public, such as social media posts, blogs, articles, etc.

### **Schedule & Compensation:**

Spring Semester 2024 (January to May 1, 2024)

For a 100-hour schedule, compensation consists of a \$1000 stipend for time and travel expenses. 14 weeks, one 8-hour day (Saturday or Sunday) per week. Flexible schedules can be discussed.

\*\*Internships can be altered to fit college requirements for the intern.

### **Apply:**

To apply for the Spring 2024 semester, please submit a cover letter with a CV to [richardpadamczyk@gmail.com](mailto:richardpadamczyk@gmail.com) by October 1, 2023.