

**MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS**  
**INTERN PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT**

**EMPLOYER:** Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

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**DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT:** April 26, 2023

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Open until Filled - first applicant review will be May 5, 2023

**\*\*STUDENTS MUST BE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE\*\***

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**POSITION TITLE:** Paleontology Intern (Paleo Tech.)

**# OF POSITIONS:** 1

**LOCATION(S):** Makoshika State Park

**WORK START/END DATES:** Monday May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, to August 4, 2023 (dates may be flexible as needed)

**HOURS/WEEK:** 40

**TOTAL HOURS FOR INTERNSHIP:** 480

**TRAINING/ORIENTATION DATES:** May 15 to Friday May 19, 2023

**COMPENSATION (PAY, PER DIEM, HOUSING, VEHICLE, ETC):** The paleo tech will be paid \$15.00 per hour. Housing is available at the Dawson Community College dormitories at \$125/week with a \$50 cleaning deposit. The Friends of Makoshika have agreed to help pay \$1,500 of housing cost to cover the cost of the dorms for the summer. Laundry facility is also available in the dormitory. Glendive, MT also offers a good selection of apartment and houses for rent. A Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks vehicle will be available to the intern for work related duties.

**POSITION DESCRIPTION/SCOPE OF WORK:** The Paleontology Technician intern will oversee the paleontology lab and collection area and will support the park's paleontology education and outreach programs. The intern will gain experience in fossil identification, fossil preparation, collection inventory, rehousing fossils, and presenting paleontology education programs including leading the park's weekly paleo experience tour. The intern will also support the Museum of the Rockies staff when they arrive in Summer 2023 to prospect or excavate fossils. The intern will also complete a final report of completed tasks and outcomes.

**SKILLS, ABILITIES, KNOWLEDGE NEEDED (EDUCATION; UNDERGRAD/GRAD LEVEL, SUGGESTED/REQUIRED MAJORS):**Earth Science, geology, paleontology, archeology, biology, under-graduate (junior/senior level BA) or graduate level preferred. Public speaking experience is not required but would be beneficial to the position. Research skills and knowledge of the Hell Creek Formation and Cretaceous period would be useful.

**APPLICATION MATERIALS/PROCEDURES (RESUME, COVER LETTER, REFERENCES, ETC.):**

Resume, cover letter, and letters of recommendation (2). Please send to contact person listed above.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: (; HOUSING OF ANY KIND PROVIDED OR POSSIBLY AVAILABLE I.E. TRAILER, FREE CAMP SPOT, BASEMENT APARTMENT, EXTRA SLEEPING ROOM, ETC.)** The intern can stay in the Dawson Community College dorms at a cost of \$125 per week with a \$50 cleaning deposit. The \$125 per week covers the cost of a two bedroom dorm, internet, cable tv, and all utilities. The college is located only a few minutes from Makoshika State Park. The Friends of Makoshika have agreed to pay \$1,500 to help cover the cost of the dorm room for the summer.