

# The Mammoth Site Summer Internships

**Application Closing Date: January 31, 2017**

The Mammoth Site is a sinkhole of late Pleistocene fauna. Over 10,000 vertebrate and invertebrate fossils have been uncovered at the Mammoth Site from its initial field season in 1974 to present. About 3,500 of these bones belong to Columbian and Woolly mammoths, and more than 2,000 of these bones are preserved *in-situ*.

The bones of 29 other vertebrate species found at the site, as well as specimens of 53 invertebrate and botanical species, are stored in our well-equipped preparation laboratory and bone repository.

**Positions:** Five Interpretive and four Conservation seasonal internships are available, starting May 15 ending in August 18. Positions are:

- Up to 40 hrs/wk for 10-16 weeks (will include some weekends).
- Compensation: \$9.00/hour with onsite housing\*.

**Responsibilities:** The position responsibilities are to include:

### Interpretive

Public interpretation and education (tours, classes).

### Conservation

Fossil preparation, stabilization, research assistance, fossil recovery, documentation, and education.



### Minimum Qualifications:

- Availability to start work on or prior to May 15, 2017 and continue through August 18, 2017.
- Basic experience (≥3 months) public speaking, teaching, and/or work with children.
- Good organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Solid interpersonal skills, with the ability to work independently or as part of a team.
- Previous experience in customer service.
- **You must be able to lift 25-35 lbs.** This is paramount to your work here at the Mammoth Site; the primary educational responsibility of a Mammoth Site intern is leading Junior & Advanced Paleontologist classes. These classes involve repetitive lifting of buckets full of sediment.
- Interpretive – Undergraduate (or higher) in the following or related majors: Primary or Secondary Education with Specialization in Science Education.
- Conservation - Undergraduate (or higher) in the following or related majors: anthropology/archaeology, biology, geology, or museum studies.

### Preferred Qualifications:

#### Interpretive Internships

- Advanced experience (>1 year) with public speaking and/or docent work.
- Experience in education program delivery and development.

#### Conservation Internships

- One year or more of vertebrate or invertebrate preparation, and/or museum curatorial experience in vertebrate paleontology.
- A working knowledge of Microsoft Office, Excel and Access, and ArcGIS software.

**\*International Students** – You must be in your second year at a US academic institution, have US citizenship, or previously established work visa to be considered.

**\*Housing:** Housing is provided to interns as part of compensation on Mammoth Site property. Housing is residential housing near The Mammoth Site, within the town limits of Hot Springs, SD. Laundry facilities are available on site.

**Application:** Visit the Mammoth Site website (<http://mammothsite.com/volunteeremployment-opportunities/>) for your application and contact Justin Wilkins:

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You will receive a **Mammoth Site application and 2 academic reference forms**; you must submit these materials with a current resume` and cover letter by **January 31, 2017**. For further information about the Mammoth Site, please visit us at [www.mammothsite.com](http://www.mammothsite.com) ; phone (605) 745-6017; fax (605) 745-3038.