Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate



I. Introduction

The Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Community Health Education Program is excited to offer a Summer Student Extern Program 2023 (SSEP). The SSEP is for college students working toward a health care degree who desire to build their skill and competence in the health care field through hands-on work experience. Externs work up to 400 hours during the summer of 2023.

Placement sites are at the Woodrow Wilson Keeble Memorial Health Care Center, Sisseton, SD and at a Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Health Program.

Sisseton IHS: Behavioral Health, Dental, Lab, Physical Therapy, Property & Supply

Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate: Asniyapi Clinic, Dakotah Pride Treatment Center, Diabetes Prevention Program, Veterans Memorial Youth Center, Youth & Family TREE

II. Eligibility

Students applying for an externship must meet the following requirements:

- Successfully completed 24 credit hours or one full year of post-secondary education in a health care discipline by the end of the 2023 spring semester.
- Undergraduate students must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 & graduate students a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Must be returning to school for the 2023 Fall semester.
- Shall commit to be alcohol and drug-free for the duration of the externship.
- Consent to and pass a criminal background check, character investigation and drug screen.
- Must be Indian Health Service eligible.
- Must be updated on vaccines.

III. Application

Student packets must include the following documents to be considered complete:

- 1. Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Application for Employment
- 2. Extern Supplemental Employment Application
- 3. Copy of transcripts (unofficial transcripts are accepted)
- 4. Copy of Tribal I.D. or proof of enrollment or descendent of a federally recognized tribe.

IV. Benefits

Salary: Externs are compensated for hours worked. Compensation is dependent on most recent academic year completed. Salary ranges from \$13.00 - \$16.00/hour for undergraduate students. Graduate students or students in a post graduate degree program will be compensated at a higher rate.

V. Housing

Housing and subsistence is not provided by the program.

VI. Reports

Students are required to write and submit five (5) bi-weekly reports.

VII. Trainings and Program Sponsored Activities/Events

Students are required to attend all scheduled meetings, trainings and program sponsored activities/events including:

- Program orientation Monday May 22, 2023—Tribal & IHS Externs
- IHS Computer Security Awareness Training-Tues. May 23, 2023-IHS Externs
- IHS Required Training-May 23, 2023- IHS Externs
- IHS Ethics—IHS Externs
- Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Training—All
- Other trainings scheduled throughout the summer—All
- SWO Health Program sponsored wellness activity or event held during the summer months— All
- Complete a group or individual project & present July 28th—All

VIII. Scholarship

Externs completing: five (5) bi-weekly reports, group or individual project and a minimum of 360 hours will be eligible for a \$500.00 scholarship at the conclusion of the externship.

VIV. Selection

Priority will be given to first time applicants, but all students are encouraged to apply.