Student Position Job Announcement

Job Title: Museum Educator (Job #8146201)
Division: Public Programs
Supervisor: Education Manager
Hours: Varies, 2-10 hours per week; some evenings and weekends
Compensation: $15.50 per hour, $16.00 per hour (bilingual)

The University of Oregon’s Museum of Natural and Cultural History (MNCH) enhances knowledge of Earth’s environment and cultures, inspiring stewardship of our collective past, present, and future. MNCH is Oregon’s primary repository for anthropological and paleontological collections.

Purpose of Position:
The Museum Educator will lead education programs for preschool – 12th grade students, college students, and community groups visiting the museum. Programs are focused on the natural and cultural history of Oregon and include hands-on activities with a guided tour through the exhibit halls. Work schedule will vary week to week depending on the needs of the museum. Most programs will occur on Mondays and Tuesdays between 8:00am-4:00pm. In addition to leading the programs, museum educators will assist with other education activities and events on weekends and evenings both onsite and offsite in the local community.

Duties:
• Present grade-specific education programs to PreK-12 grade students
• Lead tours for community groups and college courses
• Use judgment, presentation, communication, and classroom management skills to ensure the best possible learning environment for participants
• Assist with museum education activities and events onsite and in the local community
• Provide a positive museum experience for all visitors
• Attend on-going training sessions when new programs and/or exhibits are developed
• Other duties as assigned

We recognize that the qualifications required to excel in this position can come from a range of both professional and lived experiences. Below we describe what we believe to be the most important qualifications for a candidate to have, and we are open to many different backgrounds and experiences that can lead people to develop these skill sets. We strongly encourage applications from anyone who feels passionate about the work and believes they have what it takes to thrive in this role.

Qualifications:
• Experience working with youth (Kindergarten – grade 12) in classroom or informal settings
• Experience in interpretation, teaching and/or informal education
• Flexible and able to adapt and adjust to participant needs and preferences
• Approachable and friendly demeanor, ability to interact with the public and people from diverse backgrounds
• Understanding of, and commitment to equity, inclusion, and accessibility best practices
• Background or content knowledge in related subjects: archaeology, paleontology, geology, Oregon history, Indigenous/Native American studies, environmental science, and/or STEM
• Ability to walk/stand for up to three hours
• Pass a background check

Preferred Qualifications:
• Work Study (not required)
• Bilingual in English/Spanish – compensated at a higher rate

How to Apply:
Applications accepted through the Handshake website Job #8146201. Submit a cover letter, résumé, and two professional references. Please include your current class schedule and indicate if you have federal work study or not.

Resume review will begin on September 6, 2023, and will be ongoing. Positions are open until filled. Start date: Monday, September 25, 2023.

Questions? Contact Mia Jackson, Education Manager at mjaj@uoregon.edu.