

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) Internship Program is designed to provide undergraduate and graduate level students unpaid internships within a selected agency division or program, thereby exposing them to the benefits of choosing historic preservation as a career.

This is in compliance with the mission of the THC to protect and preserve the state's historic and prehistoric resources for the use, education, enjoyment, and economic benefit of present and future generations.

Internships can include, but are not limited to, practical experience in archeology, architecture, community development, historic preservation, history, economic development and planning, marketing communications, and administration. By working closely with THC staff, students should gain hands-on knowledge relating to their coursework in a specific field.

The THC works to save the real places that tell the real stories of Texas. THC staff consults with citizens and organizations to preserve Texas' architectural, archeological, and cultural landmarks. The agency is recognized nationally for its preservation programs.

WHO WE ARE

The THC is composed of 15 citizen members appointed by the governor to staggered six-year terms. The agency employs nearly 350 people who work in various fields, including archeology, architecture, history, economic development, heritage tourism, public administration, urban planning, and more.



THC's Carrington-Covert House, downtown Austin

GOALS

The THC Internship Program will:

- Give students an insight into state government duties by working closely with THC staff
- Provide students with experience in a working professional office environment, while still including an educational component to each internship
- Provide students with experience in the archeology, architecture, community development, historic preservation, history, economic development and planning, marketing communications, and administrative fields
- Provide students an opportunity to develop an understanding of and appreciation for the field of historic preservation
- Enable students to build a resume
- Enhance appreciation of public service
- Allow students to earn course credit, depending on the degree plan and institution.

INTERNSHIPS

Internships are available in the following divisions and programs:

- ARCHEOLOGY DIVISION Section 106 Review, state archeology programs, curatorial certification, Marine Archeology Program
- ARCHITECTURE DIVISION Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program
- COMMUNITY HERITAGE DIVISION Main Street, Certified Local Government, and Heritage Tourism programs
- HISTORY PROGRAMS DIVISION Historical Markers, Historic Cemetery Designation, Musuem Services, and Military Sites programs
- COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION The Medallion publication, website, annual Real Places conference, media relations, social media, email marketing, graphic design, and videography.
- HISTORIC SITES DIVISION Curatorial services
- ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING DIVISION, AND PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACT SERVICES DIVISION Information resources, accounting, purchasing, human resources, and executive management

Learn more about these divisions at thc.texas.gov/about/our-divisions

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- September 1 for the fall semester
- January 1 for the spring semester
- May 1 for the summer semester

HOW TO APPLY

Submit a resume, official transcript, and application to internships@thc.texas.gov.

The application and recurring internship descriptions are available at the.texas.gov/internship

Please mail application, resume, and transcript to the above e-mail address. Cover letters can be attached, but are not required. Resumes cannot be submitted in lieu of applications. Applications will be reviewed, and top applicants will be contacted for interviews. After a qualified person has been chosen for the specified internship, letters will be mailed to all interviewed applicants letting them know that the position has been filled. Disability access for application submission, testing, and interview accommodations can be provided upon reasonable notice.



Folklorico dancers, Corpus Christi festival

HOW TO REACH US

For more information, please contact Human Resources at the Texas Historical Commission at 512-936-0845, or visit thc.texas.gov/internship



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