



## **Job Announcement**

### **Intermountain Region, Ogden Utah**

### **Archaeology Technician Research Assistant**

APPLY BY: **July 6, 2018**

**Address: James V. Hansen Federal Building, 324 25<sup>th</sup> St. Ogden, UT**

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The Utah Conservation Corps (UCC) in partnership with the USDA Forest Service Intermountain Region is advertising for one **Research Assistant (RA)**. This can be either a full-time position for approximately six months in 2018 or a full-time position from approximately July to September 2018 and part time (16-20 hours a week) during the school year (2018-2019). The UCC is Utah's award-winning and nationally recognized statewide Conservation Corps headquartered in Logan, Utah at Utah State University's main campus. The UCC has been Utah's largest environmental AmeriCorps program since 2001, completing service work on public lands, in communities, and with various organizations throughout the state. UCC will recruit and hire the selected RA candidate, providing personnel and Human Resources needs during the placement.

<https://ucc.usu.edu/>

If you have questions about this Resource Assistant Internship, please contact the Forest Service Regional Heritage Program Leader, Richa Wilson, [rwilson@fs.fed.us](mailto:rwilson@fs.fed.us), 801-625-5704, or the UCC at [sean.damitz@usu.edu](mailto:sean.damitz@usu.edu).

#### **The Position**

This position will be located in the Forest Service's Intermountain Region office in Ogden, UT, with options for working part time during the school year at another Forest Service office. The Resource Assistant will assist the Regional Heritage Program Leader with supporting archaeology programs of 12 national forests in Utah, southwest Wyoming, southern Idaho, Nevada, and a small area of California. The work will require travel during the summer, and a travel stipend will be provided. No housing is provided. Duties may include:

- Working with the Regional Heritage Program Leader and Forest Archaeologists.
- Conducting inventories of cultural resources in areas of proposed Forest Service projects such as timber harvesting, prescribed fire, recreation development, and land exchanges. Inventories will include researching reference materials such as State and National Register files, historic documents, archeological reports, maps, and aerial photos, and conducting interviews.
- Formulating, organizing and conducting routine field reconnaissance searches in areas planned for Forest Service projects and activities.
- Performing on-the-ground site survey and searches for surface and subsurface evidence of historic and prehistoric archaeological remains.
- Identifying and recording historic and prehistoric cultural resources.

- Advising other employees on methods of cultural resource inventory and providing written instructions, research materials and supplies to all involved in planning and operation of natural resource activities. Generally serve as a crew work leader.
- Reviewing work in progress to see that standards for pre-field research, survey design, site recording, graphics, and final report are being met.
- Analyzing archeological data and making recommendations to be used in "determinations of effect" and "determinations of eligibility" by the Forest Service archaeologist.
- Writing cultural resource reports, historic property plans, site identification strategies, predictive models, and other documents to support cultural resource management.
- Preparing cultural resource inventory reports and site forms.
- Entering site and inventory information, including geospatial components, into the Forest Service's Heritage Database.
- Serve as regional data steward for the Forest Service's Heritage Database.

### **Program Benefits**

- \$15.00/hour and access to USU health care plan if working full-time hours, workers compensation, and FICA/Medicare.
- RA will have special Federal Government Direct Hire Authority upon completion of the position where a minimum of 960 hours is served (hiring authority is good for up to 2 years).

### **Position Requirements**

- A background in outdoor recreation planning, social science, or landscape architecture.
- Experience in academic research and analysis.
- Upper level or recent college graduate.
- Valid state driver's license & good driving record. Driving a government vehicle is required.
- Must successfully pass a fingerprint criminal history background check.
- U.S. citizen, national or lawful permanent resident.
- Regular and reliable attendance and dependability, and ability to work independently.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.
- Excellent organizational and computer skills.
- An independent, self-motivated, creative, and resourceful individual able to work with diverse groups of people.
- A cooperative manner and the ability to serve as part of a team, but the ability to work independently.
- Ability to commit to the full term of service.

### **About Intermountain Region**

The Intermountain Regional Office in Ogden, UT provides administrative support to 12 National Forests and one National Grassland in Utah, Nevada, western Wyoming, and southern and central Idaho. Some districts manage ski areas, wilderness areas, wild and scenic rivers, and resource management programs and extensive recreational uses. Four major geographic provinces come together to form the Region. This region is known for its tremendous diversity of landscape and ecosystems. - Northern Rocky Mountains, Middle Rocky Mountains, Colorado Plateau, and Great Basin. From the famous red rocks of southern Utah to the rugged sawtooth mountains to the stark beauty of Nevada the Intermountain Region offers amazing diversity and unique land management challenges. The outdoor recreation of the Intermountain Region is important to the residents and visitors throughout the year.

Intermountain Region Information: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/r4/about-region>

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## Application Instructions Below

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**Application Deadline:** July 6, 2018

**Interviews:** Will occur as qualified applications are received

**Type of position:** Internship

**Service Dates Full time** July – December 2018 (approximate time frame)

**Part time** (16- 20 hrs per week) July 2018 – July 2019 (approximate time frame)

**Length of Term:** dependent on negotiated schedule

### **How to apply:**

Submit a cover letter, resume, and three professional references to BOTH contacts listed below. Submit via email with the SUBJECT LINE: Archeology Technician RA.

Nancy Brunswick, USFS Regional Landscape Architect

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