



**Internship Title:** SOCIAL MEDIA INTERN

**About Associates:** **Smithsonian Associates** advances the Institution's mission "to increase and diffuse knowledge" through life-enriching educational and cultural experiences inspired by the Smithsonian's research and collections for DC-region students, families, and adults, and for learning communities nationwide.

**Intern Duties:**

- Create new content and research relevant content to publish to Smithsonian Associates' Blog, Facebook, and Twitter accounts
- Update account profile information and customize profile design
- Monitor and respond to comments; engage fans and followers in conversation
- Research and implement new creative strategies for expanding social media reach
- Attend Associates events to develop content for blog & other social media platforms
- Assist with monitoring and reporting on the success of social media initiatives

**Professional Development**

**Opportunities:**

- Create and customize profiles and pages on new and existing social media platforms
- Gain experience in communicating to a large audience and representing the Smithsonian brand
- Network with interns in Smithsonian Associates and across the Smithsonian

**Qualifications:**

- Enthusiastic about social media
- Excellent research and writing skills
- Professional demeanor, organizational and communication skills
- Ability to work independently and complete assigned tasks within identified timeframes
- Keen attention to detail when proofreading, copyediting, and fact-checking
- Comfortable utilizing Facebook, Twitter, Typepad, Instagram, Pinterest, YouTube, Tumblr, Hootsuite
- Familiarity with Microsoft Word, Excel, and Outlook
- Ability to take and upload digital photos; photography experience a plus

**Seasons:** Spring (Jan - May), Summer (Jun - Aug) and Fall (Sept - Dec)

**Time Commitment:** 20 hours/week minimum; 1 full semester

**Schedule:** Mon - Fri, timing flexible

**Supervisor:** Jeanie Arnold, Social Media and Digital Marketing Specialist

**Compensation:** All Associates internships are unpaid and housing is not provided. College credit may be granted, but must be coordinated in advance with the intern's university/college.

**Location:** S. Dillon Ripley Center, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.

**To be considered in the first round of applications, please submit your materials by the dates below:**

Fall Positions: July 1

Winter/Spring Positions: October 1

Summer Positions: February 1

Applications received after these dates will still be considered on an as-needed basis.

**To Apply:** Complete the online application at <https://SmithsonianAssociates.org/Internships>. Questions can be directed to the Intern Coordinator at [TSAInternships@si.edu](mailto:TSAInternships@si.edu) or (202) 633-8631.