Since 1994, Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP) has offered student summer internships for Native American and other college students, funded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). This program provides the opportunity for students to gain hands-on skills with EPA or other governmental and tribal environmental offices. Projects will deal directly with air quality issues but cover a wide range emphasis areas such as:

- Community Outreach/Education
- Environmental Health
- Information Collection/Data Analysis
- Environmental Justice
- Youth Environmental Education

ITEP Mission Statement

ITEP strengthens tribal capacity and sovereignty in environmental and natural resource management through culturally relevant education, research, partnerships and policy-based services.

ITEP is a partnership between Northern Arizona University and the US Environmental Protection Agency

ITEP-EFOP Internship Program

Student Internship Program

Student Internship contact:
Environmental Education Outreach Program
Email: eeop@nau.edu
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www7.nau.edu/itep/main/eeop/Internships

“Helping students plot a course for their future.”
ITEP - EEOP
Student Internship Opportunities

Previous Interns Comments

“I leave Idaho knowing that I have learned more here in ten weeks about myself, others, life, and air quality than I could have learned anywhere else. I expected to learn about the Nez Perce Tribe government and culture, about Idaho, but I never expected to experience so many valuable life lessons.”
- Johna Boulafentis

“The Internship will provide me an excellent background for future work in either academia or government,”
- Luke Pelz

“It was a great learning experience for me and something I could use to help my people start a program like this one.”
- Jamie Pretty On Top

In addition to the SSI, ITEP is offering the Short Internship Program (SIP). We would like to invite High School and College Students along with Tribal Environmental Professionals to take a SIP of experience in the environmental and education outreach fields. The SIP is designed to give meaningful experience to future leaders in dealing with tribal environmental issues. A typical SIP internship will run for one week. Students will receive a salary of $500 per week. Tribal environmental professionals will receive reimbursement for travel expenses.

To apply for a SIP internship opportunity please visit: www7.nau.edu/itep/main/eeop or contact via email at eeop@nau.edu. Applications will be reviewed and placements made every two months.

SSI – Summer Student Internship Program

As an SSI student, you will:

- Assist EPA/Tribal agencies with environmental issues
- Acquire ready-to-use skills
- Gain actual experience while contributing to a project

Requirements:

- Full-time student (12hrs. Undergrad, 9hrs. Grad) with satisfactory academic standing
- Major in environmental or related field like science, engineering, planning, policy, law, management, political science, anthropology, health, etc.
- Proficient verbal and written communication skills
- Interest in working with Native American tribes or topics

To apply, submit:

- An online application: www7.nau.edu/itep/main/eeop/internships
- A resume and three reference letters
- A letter describing your interests
- Unofficial transcripts

Completed SSI application packets must be received by February 15.