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Connecticut State Historic Preservation Office Internship Program ***Old New-Gate Prison & Copper Mine***

The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is responsible for overseeing the governmental program of historic preservation for Connecticut's citizens. In addition to funding and regulatory functions, the office operates the four State Museums.

The office is currently seeking an intern to assist with the museum operations at Old New-Gate Prison & Copper Mine, located in East Granby. This internship will consist of operational duties as well as special projects.

Internship Duration: May through August

Duties will include:

- Assist visitors while they experience the museum. This will include the opportunity to shadow interpretive tours and demonstrations.
- Assisting museum staff at the front desk; checking visitors in, and monitoring phone/email communication.
- Research historic content to further advance the museum interpretation, and social media platforms.
- Completing a special project related to the enhancement of the museum. Projects may be focused on the following areas: education, visitor experience, marketing, exhibit design, or research.

Desired Skills and Qualifications:

The intern should be enrolled in a degree or certificate program and be able to work between 10-15 hours a week, including weekends, and must possess:

- A college sophomore standing or higher.
- Future degree in; public history, museum studies, education, marketing, criminal justice, political science, geology, archaeology, or preservation.
- Prior customer service experience.
- Resourcefulness and willingness to self-start on projects.
- Impeccable writing and research skills.
- Internet and Microsoft Office Savvy
- The ability to climb stairs, and maneuver uneven terrain.

Applications Due: March 29th, 2019

Please email Morgan Bengel at morgan.bengel@ct.gov to receive an application.

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