



Hopi Tutskwa Permaculture
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2018 NATURAL BUILDING INTERNSHIP

APPLICATION PACKAGE

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE September 7th, 2018

Project Description

Our Program: Rebuilding Sustainable Communities in the Southwest

Hopi Tutskwa Permaculture is introducing a new home construction program on the Hopi Reservation. This program is part of a larger effort to promote sustainable building design in partnership with a student education program on Hopi.

Our goal is to train young dedicated and emerging building professionals within the Hopi community in our **Student Internship Program**. We hope to inspire participants as well as others to build in a more sustainable and culturally harmonious way. We hope to create a unique, dynamic, and affordable housing program that can be utilized as a model for other building programs.

Hopi Tutskwa Permaculture will operate 2 construction builds annually. We will lead 10 student Interns per build in the construction of natural homes from foundation to key-in-the-door under the direction of a general contractor. We rely on the spirit and expertise of our General Contractor, Instructors, and our Staff to provide depth to our natural building education.

Your Participation

We are looking for dedicated individuals to participate in our 2 month Student Internship program starting on September 10th, 2018 to November 1st, 2018. We do not require any building experience and instead depend on the guidance of our General Contractor, Instructors, and Staff to teach natural building principles to our students.

We are accepting dedicated individuals who:

- Are 18 years of age or older.
- Will commit to a 40+ hour work week.
- Have a reliable form of transportation.
- Will commit to the **entire** 2-month build.
- Are physically capable of performing strenuous activity for 8 hours.
- Want to be part of a new, exciting, and unique building program.

Participants:

- Do not only have to be male. (Females encouraged to apply)
- Are not required to have any previous building experience.

You Will Learn:

- Complete home construction from foundation to key in the door.
- Conventional, natural, traditional, and permaculture building principles.
- Utilization of local building materials/practices such as stone masonry, earthen walls, and straw bale construction.
- Passive/active solar systems and solar heating.
- Usage and construction of grey water systems.
- Rain water-harvesting techniques for domestic and landscape use.
- Installation of earthen floors.

You Will Experience:

- The entire process of building a home from foundation to finish.
- becoming a part of a growing, skilled, efficient, and dedicated building team.
- The rewarding experience that come with building a Family Home.
- A network of professionals dedicated to building and possible employment opportunities.

Fees and Compensation:

- This Internship is intended to be an educational opportunity offered free of charge.
- Students earn \$200 monthly food stipend.

Application Instructions

Thank you for taking the time to apply for our internship program.

Your completed application must include:

- 1) A completed student intern application form.**
- 2) Essay describing your reasons for applying.**
- 3) Completed Professional recommendation form.**
- 4) Attach a resume to your completed application (If applicable)**

We will not consider your application complete until we receive all of these materials.

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To apply, please contact the CiAnna Sakeva to obtain an application packet or you can apply online at hopitutskwa.org

CiAnna Sakeva

(928) 326-7390

cianna.sakeva@gmail.com

or mail to:

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Thank you for your interest in becoming a part of this amazing experience!

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Age: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____ **Gender:** _____

(Disclaimer: Age and gender will be used for statistical purposes only and will not be used to determine eligibility for the program.)

Mailing Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Day Phone: _____ **Evening Phone:** _____

Other Contact Phone: _____ **Email Address:** _____

Village affiliation: _____ **Clan:** _____

EDUCATION & TRAINING

List valued education experiences.

| <u>Institution or Name</u> | <u>Degree/Program/Type</u> | <u>Date(s)</u> |
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High School: _____

College: _____

Graduate: _____

Technical/field experience: Please provide your previous experience in the space provided.

SHORT RESPONSE

1. Please answer the following questions with a few short sentences:

How did you hear about the Natural Building Internship?

What specific aspects of the Natural Building Internship interest you?

2. What experience/interest do you have in the following subject areas? (Building experience is not required for this internship. We simply want to know more about you and how you will fit in with the internship program.)

a) Conventional Construction and or Natural/Traditional (Hopi) Building?

b) Community Development and/or Community Service.

c) Other Applicable Experience/Interest (e.g. Permaculture , solar, masonry, environmental etc.):

3. Do you have any allergies or physical limitations that might affect your participation in the program? If yes can you please share? (Physical disabilities or limitations will not disqualify you, we would simply like to be aware of any physical limitations in order to help set realistic goals and expectations for your participation in the program.)

4. The following is a list of guidelines for our Program. Please review each guideline and indicate if you meet the guideline. (If you do not meet all guidelines, we still encourage you to apply. Please make notes below for our review.)

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| • Are you 18 years of age or older? | Yes | No |
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| • Student interns are required to commit to the entire 5-month semester. Will you be able to commit to the 2-month semester? | Yes | No |
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| • Student interns will be required to dedicate 40 hours per week. Can you commit to working 40 hours per week? | Yes | No |
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| • Student interns are required to work under the direction of our building professionals and maintain a professional attitude by showing up on time and participating in each work project. Can you agree to this? | Yes | No |
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| • Student interns are required to have their own transportation to get to and from the work site. Do you have your own transportation? | Yes | No |
| | | |
| • Student Interns are required to have personal medical insurance. Do you have medical insurance? | Yes | No |
| | | |
| • Are you capable of working 8-hour days performing strenuous duties? | Yes | No |

ESSAY GUIDELINES

In order to get a better understanding of each candidate, we ask that you include a narrative essay describing your motivations for applying in the space provided. In your essay, please address the following questions: (Additional pages may be attached to the application to answer questions completely.)

Why is the Natural Building Internship important to you?

How do you see the Natural Building Internship connecting you with your interests, education, career goals, or other aspects of your life and what do you expect to gain from the program?

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL REFERENCE FORM

Applicants are required to obtain one (1) letter of recommendation. The recommendation can be made by, but not limited to employers, colleagues, teachers, village/community leaders or members EXCLUDING family members.

Please provide the name, title, and phone number of the individual who will provide the written recommendation on your behalf:

1. _____

The following Recommendation Form should be provided to your reference for completion. Please ensure that all questions are completed and/or included in the letter of recommendation if typed separately.

The Recommendation Form must be e-mailed or mailed directly to:

cianna.sakeva@gmail.com

P.O. Box 967

Kykotsmovi, AZ. 86039

by the individual providing the reference.

RECOMMENDATION FORM

The Natural Building Internship is a 2 month long student training program that supports community members in developing skills to promote sustainable building practices. Our program is designed so that participants will become mentors, teach and share with others the skills and knowledge needed to create healthy communities. We aim to provide the participants with the tools, training and practical experience needed to promote affordable sustainable housing.

Applicant Name: _____

Your Name: _____ **Title:** _____

Organization Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Hopi Tutskwa Permaculture is interested in your overall impression of the applicant's suitability for this program. Please provide your answers to the following questions. (You may write on the back of this page if you need more room)

1. In what capacity are you acquainted with the applicant and how long have you known them?
2. Please give examples of the applicant's leadership, community involvement, and commitment in serving the Hopi community. (If not from the Hopi community, please specify what community the applicant has served.)
3. Please address the applicant's personal character and how it will contribute to their success in the Hopi Permaculture building Program.