



Friends of Dinosaur Ridge Education Programs Internship

Friends of Dinosaur Ridge (FoDR) Mission and History:

FoDR is a designated Natural National Landmark and outdoor museum in Morrison, Colorado. FoDR features one-of-a-kind accessible dinosaur tracks and bone fossils, evidence from past environments, and observable geological processes. We are known as the top-ranked dinosaur track site in the United States, and are the site of the world's first *Stegosaurus* discovery. The mission of FoDR is to educate the public about, and ensure the preservation of, the natural and historic resources of Dinosaur Ridge, Triceratops Trail, and the surrounding areas. We currently host about 15,000 school children a year (PreK-12th Grade) on our field trip programs as well as run an outdoor science summer camp.

Position Overview:

FoDR is seeking an Education Intern. This is an opportunity to work side-by-side with our trained guides and volunteers to deliver paleontology, geology, and nature education programs to school groups in the Denver metro area. Interns guide groups of school-aged children (Kindergarten-High School) on our 90 minute education program on Dinosaur Ridge, which includes hands-on lessons at our dinosaur tracks and bones sites as well as other areas of geological interest.

Interns use an inquiry-based approach to education, engaging students in the scientific method and providing ample time for exploration, questions and discovery. This is your opportunity to pass enthusiasm and knowledge for paleontology, geology, and conservation to students while gaining great experience in the field.

Essential Job Functions:

- Lead geology and paleontology-based school tours & programs for students of all ages as well as scheduled adult tours
- Assist with the training & mentoring new volunteer school tour guides
- Help with school tour program scheduling and confirmation
- Contribute to the writing/editing of volunteer tour guide training materials
- Assist in the coordination of large public education events, including Dinosaur Discovery Days

Desired Skills:

- Interest and experience in teaching science and/or outdoor education to youth
- Passionate about FoDR's mission and inquiry-based science education
- Strong organizational skills with the ability to multitask, patiently and professionally
- Strong communication skills with adults and children
- Team player, enthusiastic, organized, creative, critical thinker, and self-motivated

Qualifications:

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Cleared Background check and fingerprints submitted to the Colorado Department of Human Services (FoDR helps with and pays for this)
- Must be able to work on feet for 8 hours including hiking up to 2 miles

Schedule, Time Commitment and Benefits:

Hours are flexible, with a minimum commitment of 6-10 hours, per week on site during weekdays between 9am-4pm at our Main Visitor Center in Morrison over a 3-6 month period (Jan- May 2019). Some hours may be worked remotely. Unpaid position with a modest stipend. Will work closely with schools to accommodate requirements for school credit.

How to Apply:

Please send a resume, cover letter, and references to the contacts below:

Barbara Farley, tours@dinoridge.org

No phone calls, please.