



Mission: To restore health and well-being in the Native community by recovering knowledge of and access to healthy Indigenous foods, medicines and lifeways.

Title: Youth Internship Program Coordinator **Status:** Seasonal (14 Weeks, May-Aug), FT 32-40 hrs/wk
Reports to: Program Manager **Salary:** \$21-\$22/hour

Dream of Wild Health (DWH) is celebrating 27 years of working to restore health and well-being within the Twin Cities Native American community and has recently grown to a 30-acre farm in Hugo with an office in Minneapolis. The Youth Intern Coordinator is responsible for providing leadership and support to Native youth participants of our Internship program. This program is part of our Native Youth Education and Leadership Program and is meant to support participants' journey toward their related educational or career goals. This is an amazing opportunity for an emerging leader to practice guiding, mentoring, and supporting Native youth.

Responsibilities & Expectations:

- Serve as primary liaison for DWH Youth Interns during DWH Summer Programming (Cora's Kids & Garden Warriors)
- Provide Youth Interns with daily transport in DWH provided vehicle to and from Hugo farm from Twin Cities pick-up locations and additional transportation to field trips and events as requested
- Arrive promptly to Twin Cities pick-up locations and commitment to dependability of timely transport
- Provide excellent communication with Youth Interns and their families, including DWH updates regarding logistics, responsibilities, and weather accommodations, which may occur outside of business hours
- Bestow a safe, healing, youth-centered approach, exemplifying an uplifting positive attitude, and growth mind-set
- Collaborate 'as good relatives' with all DWH Staff to ensure a quality summer experience for all Youth Interns
- Safeguard Youth Interns safety, health and wellbeing by providing routine daily check-ins while working
- Uphold being a good relative with all DWH relatives (human, non-human, seen, unseen)
- Ensure youth complete necessary administrative paperwork, and submit timesheets in a timely manner
- Attend 2-day DWH All staff orientation/training in May
- Attend Youth Intern Orientation and Training Days prior to the start of Summer Program either 1 or 2 Saturdays
- Support DWH community events, youth programming, and farm efforts outside of summer programming sessions

Requirements:

- Cultural competency experience and commitment to working with urban Native Youth
- Demonstrate leadership experience working with Youth in educational or camp type settings
- Demonstrate an interest in youth development, Indigenous food sovereignty, and sustainable agriculture
- Excellent verbal and written communication
- Demonstrate a strong work ethic, and ability to work well either independently and with team members
- Hardworking, with physical and emotional stamina, and able to work outside in all weather conditions
- Ability to follow oral and written instructions, ability to adapt, and be flexible with daily tasks
- Direct and healthy communication skills with the team; willingness to receive feedback, adapt, and ask questions
- Valid driver's license, reliable transportation, and ability to travel independently (primarily within Metro area)
- Desired applicants are Native/Indigenous and/or have knowledge of Indigenous food sovereignty

A criminal background check is required. Must have a valid driver's license; ability to stand and sit for long periods of time; ability to lift semi-heavy objects; and flexibility to work occasional evenings and/or weekends. This position will work primarily at the Hugo farm, and may work remotely or at the Minneapolis office for work periods outside of program days. Benefits include: paid time off, paid Holidays, healthy meals during Youth Program and Indigenous Food Share discount.

To Apply: Submit cover letter and resume to Victoria Loud at employment@dreamofwildhealth.org. Open until filled.