



Fall 2024

Museum Education Internship: Colonial and Revolutionary History Trunks

Summary

The Maryland Center for History and Culture is seeking a reliable and motivated intern to help the Education team update our Traveling Trunk program with a focus on the Revolutionary War and Colonial Maryland trunks. This includes supporting the revision of lesson plans and object selection in the thematic trunks to align with school curriculum, DEAI (Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusion) objectives, and updated historical scholarship. It also means reevaluating the use of space in the trunk. The intern will have opportunities to explore our collections, conduct research, and impact education programming. This can include the option of delivering school tours related to Colonial Maryland and Revolutionary War topics. Additionally, the intern will gain valuable experience related to program development and varied approaches to museum education.

The intern will work with the Museum Learning Manager and the Education Programs Specialist. This is a primarily in-person role with some flexibility for remote work.

This internship is made possible thanks to funding from the Society of the Cincinnati of Maryland.

About the Traveling Trunk Program

The Traveling Trunk program serves nearly 10,000 students and teachers across Maryland and other states each school year. Each set of trunks covers certain historical topics, such as Colonial Maryland, the Revolutionary War, the Civil War, Growing Up in Maryland, and Indigenous Peoples of the Chesapeake. The trunks contain reproduction artifacts, lesson plans, books, and primary sources to facilitate hands-on learning in the classroom. Teachers can rent the trunk for three-week periods to use in their classroom. Learn more about the trunks and view photos [here](#).

Qualifications

- Enrollment in or completion of a B.A., B.S., or M.A. program in History, American History, Public History, Art History, Museum Studies, Museum Education, or related field required;
- Experience conducting historical research, especially in 18th-century and/or US or Maryland history;
- Experience engaging with elementary students in learning environments;
- Experience with object-based learning, lesson plan development, and/or current school curriculum is a plus;
- Excellent written communication skills, especially for student and educator audiences;
- Strong editing skills in written and physical content;
- Strong technology skills, including experience with Microsoft Office and Google Docs/Sheets/Drive;
- Ability to lift up to 50lbs is a plus, but not required.

Hours & Compensation

- A \$3000 stipend will be provided for approximately 200 hours of experience over the course of the 15-week internship

- The internship will begin on September 9 and end December 20. These dates may adjust depending on museum and candidate schedules.
- Candidate should present a rough idea of a consistent weekly working schedule of about 13 hours per week. Weekdays preferred. Some tasks can be done remotely.

How to Apply

Please email a cover letter, resume, and contacts of two professional or academic references to educationprograms@mdhistory.org. Subject line: Fall 2024 Museum Education Internship (Rev War) Application.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

About MCHC

The Maryland Center for History and Culture is an equal opportunity employer that seeks to educate people of all ages about the American experience through the rich history of Maryland using the society's collections and to preserve important objects and archival materials from prehistoric Maryland to the present day.

Founded in 1844, the Maryland Center for History and Culture is the state's oldest continuously operating cultural institution. In keeping with the founders' commitment to preserve the remnants of Maryland's past, MCHC remains the premier institution for state history. With over 350,000 art objects and artifacts and seven million books and documents, the society now serves more than 100,000 people through its museum, library, press and educational programs. Learn more at mdhistory.org.