



Mission Garden Program and Visitor Evaluation Intern

Mission Garden, operated by the non-profit Friends of Tucson's Birthplace, inspires people to connect to this land by reclaiming agricultural traditions for our community in a changing world. Our work environment is diverse, lively, and mostly outdoors.

Position Overview:

We are seeking a motivated and detail-oriented person to join our team as Program and Visitor Evaluation Intern. This position offers an excellent opportunity to gain hands-on experience in out-of-school educational evaluation and make a meaningful impact on the direction of Mission Garden programming and future visitor experiences.

Key Responsibilities:

- Assist in the development and implementation of visitor evaluation methods, including working with supervisor to surveys, interviews, and observations.
- Engage with visitors to gather feedback on their experiences, preferences, and needs.
- Collect and analyze data to evaluate visitor satisfaction, learning outcomes, and overall engagement with garden exhibits and programs.
- Contribute to the creation of evaluation reports and presentations for Mission Garden internal stakeholders (e.g., staff, board).
- Support the maintenance of evaluation materials and ensure data collection procedures comply with organizational standards and protocols around confidentiality.
- Interact respectfully with visitors from many backgrounds.

Qualifications:

- Currently enrolled in or recent graduate from a Bachelor's or Master's program in education, psychology, museum studies, or a related field.
- Strong interest in visitor experience evaluation and education.
- Excellent interpersonal skills with the ability to interact effectively with diverse audiences.
- Strong organizational skills with the ability to manage multiple tasks efficiently.
- Proficiency in Google's suite of programs (Sheets, Docs, etc.)
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Ability to work effectively both independently and as part of a team.

What You'll Gain:

- Hands-on experience in educational assessment and evaluation.
- Mentorship and guidance from professionals with experience in visitor evaluation.
- Opportunities for professional development and networking.

- Flexible schedule and potential for remote work arrangements.
- Potential for academic credit, if applicable.

Time commitment: 8 hours per week for approx. 15 weeks. Must be able to collect data at Mission Garden in person during our open hours, 8am-12pm Wed-Sat during April-Oct and 8-2pm Wed-Sat during Nov-March. We are not able to compensate you for your time, but would be happy to work with you for college credit.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates should submit a resume and cover letter outlining their qualifications and interest in the position to abby@missiongarden.org. Please include "Program and Visitor Evaluation Intern" in the subject line.

Mission Garden is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to diversity in the workplace. We encourage individuals from all backgrounds to apply.