

Intern Position Job Description



Department: Museum Experience: Labs & Makerspaces

Job Title: STEM Lab & Food Science Intern

Purpose: The Labs & Makerspaces team delivers programming across all museums in our KidSPACE exhibit and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) lab and our upcoming History in the Making Classroom. Our state-of-the-art STEM Lab is a fully equipped science lab, which will focus on food science in the upcoming year. This focus on food science will allow an intern to use quantifiable science to help underrepresented communities in Cincinnati increase their engagement in STEM. Through this program, the STEM Lab intern will gain experience out in the community through the delivery of food science programs across the city. They will gain experience in educating a diverse population of varying age ranges and backgrounds across disciplines. They will learn how to make information accessible and fun while remaining learners themselves. In addition to food science, the intern may develop and/or facilitate programs focusing on other STEM topics. During this unique opportunity, interns will be able to share their own strengths, talents and interests with our guests.

Training on specific equipment available as needed.

Background: The Labs & Makerspaces team delivers programming across all museums in our KidSPACE exhibit and STEM lab and our upcoming History in the Making Classroom. Our state-of-the-art STEM Lab is a fully equipped science lab, with a focus on food sciences. As of July 1st, 2019 Cincinnati Museum Center is partnering with Kent State University and a local non-profit La Soupe. This grant work will evolve over the next few years and seeks to increase STEM awareness, especially in underrepresented communities.

Location:

- Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal – 1301 Western Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45203
- Events throughout Cincinnati area

Key Responsibilities:

- Aiding staff in the development, implementation and evaluation of facilitated and non-facilitated experiences and programming related to STEM and making
- Engaging with visitors
- Attend events, trainings or meetings as needed
- May have opportunity to develop program/project that advances goals of Labs & Makerspaces

Requirements:

- Currently enrolled in an education program, social sciences, art or science field
- Team player with excellent organization and communication skills
- Strong verbal communication skills and the ability to share information in a hands-on way
- Maintain discipline to complete task independently
- Must possess strong customer service skills to effectively present programming to diverse audiences, and to communicate with coworkers
- Must be comfortable working in a fast-paced environment
- Must have skills in art, science, and STEAM that can be shared with staff and guests.

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Reports To: Arynn McCandless, Manager of Labs & Makerspaces

Length of Appointment: flexible (standard is 10 weeks)

Time Commitment: approximately 20 hours/week

Benefits:

- Free admission to all permanent CMC exhibits and access to the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center
- Free parking at Cincinnati Museum Center locations
- Discounts at food locations
- Invitations to select exhibit previews, special events and lectures
- Professional development, training opportunities and work experience

Dress Code: close-toed shoes, CMC uniform shirt with black or khaki pants, skirt or shorts

Age Requirement, if any:

Eligible candidates considering an internship are defined as individuals who meet one or more of the following criteria:

- currently enrolled as an undergraduate student
- have graduated within the past year
- are currently enrolled in graduate school