



The Friends of
Kreische Brewery & Monument Hill
State Historic Sites



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STUDENT INTERNSHIP – Library & Archives

Work Location: Kreische Brewery & Monument Hill State Historic Sites (414 State Loop 92, La Grange, TX 78945)

Supervisor(s): Sites Manager Marsha Hendrix and Assistant Sites Manager Gavin Miculka

Semester: Fall 2023

Duration: 10-12 weeks; start and end dates are flexible

Hours/week: approx. 24hours/week; hours are flexible to accommodate student schedule, fulfill course requirements, and accomplish varying internship goals

Compensation: \$15-18/hr

How to Apply: Send cover letter and resume to gavin.miculka@thc.texas.gov

Application Closing Date: Until filled

Internship Description

Under the direction of sites management, the intern will primarily help reestablish the Sites' reference library and archives for improved access and usability by staff, volunteers, and community members. The small reference library includes published reference books, self-published family and community histories, physical and digital copies of historic documents, physical and digital photographs, field notes, and records pertaining to the sites' institutional history and planning. The sites also maintain a productive partnership with Texas Historical Commission's Curatorial Facility for Artifact Research which houses the sites' archaeological and archival collections.

Kreische Brewery State Historic Site interprets the stories of German immigration to Texas and 19th century Texas industry. The Site's key points-of-interest include the historic Kreische House and ruins of the Kreische Brewery. Monument Hill State Historic Site interprets the Republic of Texas era through the monument and tomb of soldiers killed during the Dawson and Mier Expeditions. The Sites also include picnic areas, hiking trails, and scenic vistas.

The sites are managed by the Texas Historical Commission. This internship is funded by the Sites' non-profit partner, the Friends of Kreische Brewery & Monument Hill State Historic Sites.

Key internship duties include:

Library & Archives (approx. 80%)

- Assessing, inventorying, and cataloguing the sites' collection of physical and digital reference materials using Re:Discovery, the agency's collection management software
- Digitizing select library and archival materials as identified by sites staff
- Directing the relocation, long-term storage, and/or disposal of library materials outside of collections policy, according to best practices
- Identifying and researching additional resources to incorporate into the sites' research library

Special Project *(as time allows)*

- Collaborating with sites staff and other THC staff to digitize and analyze select archival resources at THC's Curatorial Facility for Artifact Research in Austin

Public Programs & Visitor Services (approx. 20%)

- Supporting visitors center operations including accepting admissions, providing orientations, and processing retail sales
- Supporting special events and interpretive programs

Qualifications

- Current college student (undergraduate or graduate) or recent college graduate
- Education and/or experience in library science, archives, curation, museum studies, history, heritage resource management, data management, or related field preferred
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Ability to work effectively independently, as a team member, and with the public
- Proficient computer skills, including word processing and database programs
- Must be able to lift 30 lbs on a regular basis
- Upon appointment, intern must successfully pass a background check