



SOUTHWEST HISPANIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE

The University of New Mexico 2009-2010 New Mexico Land Grant Studies Paid Internship Program

The New Mexico Land Grant Studies Paid Internship Program has been created to offer undergraduate and graduate students an opportunity to learn more about the 30 community land grants established during the Spanish/Mexican period in New Mexico by assisting land grant boards with multiple projects.

The Land Grant Studies Program (LGSP) is an interdisciplinary program created in 2008 by the Southwest Hispanic Research Institute (SHRI), with support from the Center for Regional Studies, and the School of Law. The Land Grant Studies Internship Program serves the community outreach and student educational goals of the LGSP. For a summary of the LGSP, please visit <http://www.unm.edu/~shri/>.

Internship opportunities are made possible through the efforts of SHRI, the Center for Regional Studies, the UNM School of Law, and the New Mexico Land Grant Council/Consejo. The program is funded by the State of New Mexico.

Selection Criteria:

1. Available to graduate and undergraduate students attending UNM at any of the campuses
2. Must be a full-time student during the 2009-2010 academic year
3. Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 (undergraduates) and 3.0 (graduates), or higher
4. Must submit the following:
 - A. Unofficial UNM transcript
 - B. Completed application form
 - C. Essay
 - D. Current résumé or CV
 - E. References (may be from a land grant council member)

Internship opportunities will be offered to students demonstrating an interest in community land grants throughout New Mexico.

The application assessment is based on:

1. Essay/Personal Statement
2. General Activities on and off campus
4. Honors, awards, and academic achievements
5. Employment, internships, and other experience

6. Volunteer work/commitment to community

The award will consist of semester-long internship employment, where students will be employed 10-20 hours per week. Internship compensation is set at the campus rate for graduate and undergraduate students, and will entail working with community land grant committees and membership organizations. Interns will be required to attend a workshop every three weeks to discuss the progress of their work with the land grant committees. During the academic year, interns will participate in a public forum / workshop where they will provide a summary of their semester activities with a presentation of their project(s). The internship does not include academic credit.

Review of applications will begin on July 15, 2009. For full consideration, please submit an application by July 6, 2009 to:

Land Grant Studies Internship Program
c/o The Southwest Hispanic Research Institute
MSC02 1680, 1 University of New Mexico
Albuquerque, NM 87131

For more information, send inquiries to: shri@unm.edu

Applications submitted after July 6, 2009 may not be considered for the fall semester.

Notification of Selection: A letter of notification will be sent via postal mail or email to the students chosen to receive an internship through the New Mexico Land Grant Studies Program.