GeoCorps America announces **GeoCorps American Indian Internships**

The **Geological Society of America’s** (GSA) **GeoCorps America** internship program is now seeking applicants for exciting geoscience internships taking place in the summer of 2012. Candidates from American Indian communities are strongly encouraged to apply.

**WHAT IS GEOCORPS?**
- Nearly 100 different twelve-week geoscience internships are available in America's amazing public lands.
- GeoCorps offers **GeoCorps American Indian Internships** plus over a dozen different **GeoCorps Diversity Internships**.
- Projects involve field and laboratory research focused on the earth and environmental sciences.
- Participants may develop and lead educational and interpretive programs for staff, volunteers, and the public.
- Research topics include geology, natural resource management, hydrology, water quality, paleontology, mapping, GIS (Geographic Information Systems), minerals, soils, glaciology, geo-hazards, cave/karst science, and more.
- Mentorship is provided by government employees in GSA's partner agencies: the National Park Service (NPS), United States Forest Service (USFS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), and California Department of Conservation.

**WHERE DO GEOCORPS INTERNSHIPS TAKE PLACE?**
- Internships are hosted on public lands throughout the United States: National Parks, National Forests, and BLM areas.
- Opportunities are available in distant, remote areas, and closer to home.
- Sites include Grand Canyon National Park (AZ), Glacier National Park (MT), Badlands National Park (SD), Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument (UT), Craters of the Moon National Monument (ID), Sierra National Forest (CA), Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest (WY/CO), Washita Battlefield National Historic Site (OK), and dozens more.

**WHO SHOULD APPLY TO GEOCORPS?**
- Eligibility is open to students, graduates, post-docs, professionals, faculty members, teachers, retirees, and others.
- Candidates with backgrounds in geoscience, other STEM areas, or in STEM education are invited to apply.
- Members of the American Indian community are invited to apply to the **GeoCorps American Indian Internships**, the **GeoCorps Diversity Internships**, and the general **GeoCorps America** positions.

**WHY SHOULD YOU PARTICIPATE IN GEOCORPS?**
- A stipend payment ($2750 minimum) and free housing (or housing funds) are provided. Travel funds are also available.
- The program provides valuable work experience with the federal government.
- Scientific skills are learned and utilized in a “real world” setting.
- Participants get to explore some of the most beautiful natural areas in the world.
- You can make a valuable and unique contribution to the fields of geoscience and public land preservation.

**WHEN DO GEOCORPS INTERNSHIPS TAKE PLACE?**
- Applications for summer positions are due by Feb. 1, 2012, and positions take place from May 2012-Sep. 2012.
- Applications for fall/winter positions, which occur from Sep. 2012-May 2013, can be submitted from May 1-Jul. 1, 2012.

**HOW CAN YOU APPLY?**
- Applications should be submitted through the [GeoCorps website](http://www.geosociety.org/geocorps).
- Applicants for the GeoCorps American Indian Internships are also encouraged to apply for all six GeoCorps Diversity Internships, and three other general GeoCorps America positions.
- In the application for the GeoCorps American Indian Internships, be sure to state which locations are your top choices, even if you have already applied for those locations separately (which is highly encouraged).
- Contact Matt Dawson, GeoCorps Program Officer, for information/assistance: [mdawson@geosociety.org](mailto:mdawson@geosociety.org); 303-357-1025.

**MORE DETAILS ABOUT GEOCORPS**
- Main GeoCorps website: [www.geosociety.org/geocorps](http://www.geosociety.org/geocorps)
- GeoCorps American Indian Internships: [http://rock.geosociety.org/g_corps/GeoCorpsAmericanIndianInternships.htm](http://rock.geosociety.org/g_corps/GeoCorpsAmericanIndianInternships.htm)
- GeoCorps Diversity Internships: [http://rock.geosociety.org/g_corps/GeoCorpsDiversityInternships.htm](http://rock.geosociety.org/g_corps/GeoCorpsDiversityInternships.htm)