

Interpretation Intern

Fort Union Trading Post National Historic Site Williston, ND

Position ID: 8089

Dates: 5/25/09-8/31/09

Fort Union Trading Post National Historic Site represents partial reconstruction of the principal fur trading post on the upper Missouri located three miles above the confluence of the Yellowstone and Missouri Rivers. This American Fur Company trading post was active for 39 years, 1828-1867. A number of Plains Indian tribes, Assiniboine, Cree, Crow, Ojibwe, Hidatsa, and Blackfeet traded buffalo robes and other furs for trade goods such as cloth, knives, blankets, kettles, guns, and beads.

Fort Union was the center of peaceful social and economic exchange between Euro-Americans and the Plains Indians.

Interpret the story of Fort Union trading post to visitors; orient visitors to the site at the visitor center desk and interpret in period dress in the Indian Trade House; operate the Fort Union Association computer to conduct sales of books and period trade items; assist with preparation for site special events such as Fort Union Rendezvous; transport wood and erect tipis and canvas awnings for the event; work with the site photo collection and library; assist the park curator with the archaeological collection; assist the site maintenance staff in various projects. Additionally, creation and preparation of material for audio/visual presentation.

Required: US citizenship; valid driver's license; ability and willingness to undergo a required criminal history background check; history education or background.

Desired: Ability to drive 4WD vehicles; history education or background.

Housing & Stipend.

Please send cover letter and resume to: admissions@thesca.org