

Part-time Remote Volunteer Summer 2021 Internships

Save Ancient Studies Alliance (SASA) is seeking to fill unpaid, remote internships during the Summer 2021 semester. The goal of our internship program is for SASA internships to be mutually beneficial, such that interns gain experience in multiple areas, learn skills, gain knowledge, and build connections with numerous people in Ancient Studies and the nonprofit world, by helping to work on various SASA projects. Since work for SASA is all done remotely, we take a proactive approach to supporting our interns. Interns work alongside volunteers with more experience and under the guidance of our volunteer staff, including Team Leaders and Director. Our work ethos is exploratory, fun, and serious. We all enjoy the company of people who have varied backgrounds and interests of all ages, and who are passionate in their pursuits. In addition, SASA fully supports internships for college credit if approved by your school.

SASA's mission is to counter the downward trend in Ancient Studies fields in higher education, by (1) uniting graduate students and scholars to (2) expose and engage students to Ancient Studies, to (3) facilitate ease of access to studying the ancient world, and to (4) support and reimagine scholarship as a lifelong pursuit for those who work as professionals in other areas after receiving their PhDs.

SASA is looking to take on a number of interns for the Summer 2021 semester to work on our Teams (see description of each Team below):

- Communications Team
- Live Events Team
- Outreach Team
- Research Team
- Virtual Conference Team
- Access Team
- Fundraising & Grant Writing Team
- Archaeogaming Education Modules Team
- Inspire Summer 2021 Campaign Team

Some of the teams and their projects are listed on our <u>Teams page</u> or <u>Projects page</u>, but others are still in development.

For these projects, we seek interns with experience in the following areas:

- Professional communications experience, including social media, mass email, website, and video production
- Event Coordination

- Research & Writing
- Journalism
- Graphic Design
- Data Mining and Management
- Grant Writing & Crowdfunding
- Nonprofit Administration & Organization
- Excellent writing skills
- Ancient Studies knowledge (not required)
- General work experience, especially in remote settings
- Education or classroom experience

Interns may be undergraduates, have completed their BA, or be in graduate school. The minimum age for interns is 18. All interns must be strong self-starters and excel at working in remote environments, both alone and with a team. These internships are scheduled for the duration of 5/15/2021 - 8/31/2021, however, these dates are flexible and can be discussed. Weekly internship hours range between 10-15 hours, although we can accommodate up to 25 hours per week to meet requirements for college credit.

The only requirement for working at specific times is that the interns be available at their team meeting time:

- Communications Team: Mondays & Thursdays (twice a week), 12pm EDT
- Live Events Team: Mondays & Thursdays (twice a week, same meeting as Communications Team), 12pm EDT *additionally, a biweekly Live Events specific meeting for Summer Reading Groups/Lives: TBD
- Outreach Team: Tuesdays, 3pm 4:30pm EDT
- Research Team: Tuesdays, 11am 12:30pm EDT
- Virtual Conference Team: Sundays 11am EDT
- Access Team: TBD
- Fundraising & Grant Writing Team: Tuesdays, 12:30pm 2pm EDT
- Archaeogaming Education Modules Team: TBD
- Inspire Summer 2021 Campaign Team: TBD

SASA is committed to creating a diverse environment and is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, genetics, disability, age, or veteran status. We also welcome applicants from diverse educational backgrounds, aside from Ancient Studies, and those on any career trajectory.

Internship applications are now open and will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Applications close April 30, 2021.

To apply, please send a cover letter and resume to daviddanzig@saveancientstudies.org or upload them in the webform on our applications-page. Please specify in your cover letter which skills you have and for which teams you think you would be best suited. We look forward to your application.

TEAM DESCRIPTIONS:

<u>Communications Team</u> - As the vanguard of SASA, the Communications Team works to create and schedule all of our social media posts and mass emails, as well as run our website. Interns have an integral role in SASA's messaging, look, and feel.

<u>Live Events Team</u> - Develops, plans, and runs SASA's live events, including Expert Q&A's, Archaeogaming, and our Book Club. Interns solicit new presenters and ensure that the platforms for the meetings, live feeds, and later uploads are functioning smoothly.

<u>Outreach Team</u> - Forms relationships and partnerships with other organizations, individuals, and businesses to help further our mission and theirs. Interns will seek out potential partners, help draft language for our outreach, assist in planning strategy for effective outreach, and work to maintain and grow relationships.

Research Team - In our effort to ground our claims and proposed solutions in real evidence, this team conducts in depth sociological research and analysis on the downward trend in Ancient Studies throughout the US educational system. We also work to produce and present proactive methods for solving problems in Ancient Studies. Our goals are to complete a White Paper on this topic, as well as a series of published articles and informational videos. Interns on the team help in crunching the data on a variety of educational indicators, analyzing that data, and composing results, as well as researching solutions and producing videos about them.

<u>Virtual Conference Team</u> - SASA is working to change attitudes toward lifelong scholarship, irrespective of occupation, and build an inclusive community of all Ancient Studies scholars, both in and out of academia. Our first free virtual academic conference, *Opening the Ancient World*, is planned for late summer 2021. Interns on this team will work to schedule, organize, and develop SASA's virtual conference, as well as to discover and reach out to potential speakers and participants.

<u>Access Team</u> - One of our main methods of saving Ancient Studies is to provide greater ease of access for students to begin to study the ancient world and develop their skills. We are in the process of developing the initial stages of our Access Platform. Currently the Access Team is compiling and developing an online platform listing online resources in all Ancient Studies fields. Interns are engaged in internet research to discover, evaluate, and categorize all sorts of wonderful websites.

<u>Fundraising & Grant Writing Team</u> - We are hard at work trying to raise funds with a multi-pronged approach, including crowdfunding, individual donor solicitation, and grant writing. This will enable SASA's future success. Interns on this team help plan fundraising events, find grants, and help write grant applications. Preference will be given to individuals with prior experience in these areas.

Archaeogaming Education Modules Team - SASA's newest team is just getting off the ground. Get in on the ground floor as we work with scholars to begin creating complete lesson plans, videos, and materials using video games with ancient-related content to explore themes and ideas of ancient history and society. These educational materials will be distributed to a network of teachers for use in their classrooms. Preference will be given to individuals with prior experience in elementary and high school classroom settings, in development of script guidelines, editing of scripts, and video-editing and distribution.

Inspire Summer 2021 Campaign Team - This Summer 2021, SASA will be repeating a wonderful project that was first accomplished in Summer 2020, creating our yearlong Inspire Social Media Campaign. The aim of the campaign is to inspire curiosity, engagement, education and enjoyment with and from the Ancient World. Our team of Summer Interns will work to create social media posts on a wide variety of interesting ancient topics and connect them to the scholarship behind these objects, personalities, themes, and concepts. The posts will be made public beginning on September 1st 2021 through next Summer 2022. We are looking for anyone interested in Ancient Studies with demonstrated research abilities to join this team!