

**ATCEM Presentation
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Tribal Youth Engagement Strategies

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Interns Hard at Work



What is Youth Engagement?

- Youth Engagement is intentional
- Youth Engagement is meaningful
- Youth Engagement is challenging
- Creates value added opportunities for learning
- Provides accountability

Benefits of Internships

- Builds long term capacity
- Incorporates new and diverse perspectives
- Provides local jobs and training in the community
- Youthful energy and creativity
- Supports the tribal mission
- Tech savvy



Best Practices for Working with Interns

- Interns need structure (but not too much)
- Build in opportunities for creativity
- Use performance evaluations as a tool to communicate (both ways)
- Provide meaningful projects and opportunities
- Engage the community through youth outreach
- Build youth activities into your work plan
- Develop mentoring and leadership opportunities

Some of our Interns

meet the interns

Scholarship and intern programs play a vital role in APICDA's workforce development and employment goals.

NOT PICTURED

Timothy Zaachney who interned with APIA Unangam Tunuu Language Intensive Program.

Thomas Lekanof and Maurice Lekanof, two high school students from St. George, interned with the St. George Seabird Research Project for the seabird monitoring program. This was a partnership between Auk Ecological Consulting/NORTAC and APICDA for seabird monitoring and rat prevention on St. George Island.





Haliehana Stepetin
APICDA Communications Intern

A 26-year-old Unangax from Akutan, Hana is passionate about giving voice to the Unangax people, viewing this internship as a way to give back to the Aleutian region.



Nikki Whittern
Qawalangin Tribe Intern

Nikki, originally from Unalaska, is an environmental intern at the Qawalangin Tribe, helping on various projects to learn more about the region and its environmental issues.



Nate Williams
Unangam Tunuu Intern

Nate, a 16-year-old from Atka, is an intern in the Unangam Tunuu Summer Language Intensive in Anchorage. Nate is passionate about becoming fluent in the language and excited to learn more.



Laresa Syverson
Unangam Tunuu Intern

Laresa, from Unalaska, has spent many years learning Unangam Tunuu and is dedicated to language revitalization, hoping to bring the program to Unalaska as soon as possible.



Shayla Shaishnikoff
Qawalangin Tribe Intern

A 24-year-old Unalaskan, Shayla is the lead intern at the Qawalangin Tribe, working in the environmental department, hoping to learn more about related issues and projects at home.



Kayla Nalam
Qawalangin Tribe Intern

Kayla, from Unalaska, is an office assistant intern in the environmental department of the Qawalangin Tribe.



Junior Golodoff Jr.
Unangam Tunuu Intern

Junior, from Atka, is in his third year learning Unangam Tunuu using the "Where Are Your Keys?" method. He is dedicated to keeping the language alive.

APICDA supported several internships this year. APICDA believes through education, communities are able to promote and achieve the economic development necessary for sustainable, healthy communities. APICDA uses the funds made available through the CDQ as a genesis for this economic growth and development. Education of the residents of the region is a key component of this plan. Residents from the region can take advantage of a variety of opportunities designed to help them reach their educational and career-oriented goals.

Find out more at www.apicda.com/training-education/internships

Last Summer's Activities

- Morris Cove Habitat Restoration Plan
- Blue Mussel Collection and PSP Advisories
- LEO Network Posts
- National Tribal Lands Conference
- Recycle Program
- Summer Bay Archaeology Site
- Aleut International Association and Korean Maritime Institute, Cultural Exchange

Thanks for Attending!

Questions?

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