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### Diversity Internship Program



<b>NPS UNIT: SAN ANTONIO MISSIONS NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK</b>		<b>PD#: 61</b>
<p><b>Position Title:</b> Cultural Resource Management Intern  <b>Position Type:</b> LHIP Traditional Internship (Public Land Corps)  <b>Primary natural resource discipline:</b> Resource Management  <b>Location:</b> 2202 Roosevelt Ave, San Antonio, TX 78210</p>		
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION</b>		
<p><b>Position Description:</b> This internship will focus on researching the origin of the cemetery at Mission San José y San Miguel de Aguayo. There are a number of families that still live in the neighborhoods around Mission San José and have many questions about the cemetery and where people were buried in the past. To properly manage and interpret the park, park management needs better information about this topic. The intern will look at primary and secondary sources about the history of the cemetery, including historic photographs and archives. They will have the opportunity to meet with families in person or virtually to discuss their memories of the cemetery. This work will build on an earlier report from the 1980s. The intern will write a summary report of their findings at the end of the internship program and do a public presentation to park staff and partners. Park staff and outside partners such as the city's cultural historian, academics from the areas six universities, and the county and Archdiocesan archivists will also be available to help the intern. The intern will also participate in the park's Latino Conservation Week program partnering with interpretation and other park staff.</p> <p>This position is offered through the National Park Service's Latino Heritage Internship Program in partnership with Environment for the Americas.</p>		
<b>COVID ACCOMMODATIONS</b>		
Yes		
<b>LEARNING GOALS</b>		
The intern will learn how to read deed records, Sanborn maps, and other recorded geospatial information from the 19th and 20th centuries. They will interact with a variety of professionals within the park and in the city of San Antonio. They will learn how to interact with associated community members and how this effects park management.		
<b>MENTORING</b>		
Park staff will introduce the intern to the various institutions that house archival collections and their staff (Bexar County Archives, Texas A&M San Antonio Archives, Archdiocese of San Antonio Archives, etc.). They will provide project oversight including working with the interns on structuring of data collection and report preparation. Park staff will orient the intern to the entire park. The intern will work in an environment with other interns as well as		

park staff. There may be opportunities to join these other interns in field trips to other sites around the San Antonio and South Texas area.

**PROJECT RESULTS**

NA

**LEADERSHIP**

NA

**DHA-RAI OUTCOMES**

NA

**NATURAL & PHYSICAL WORK ENVIRONMENT**

**Physical Work Environment:** San Antonio is the 7th largest city in the US. It is very hot and humid in San Antonio in the summer. San Antonio is majority hispanic and the neighborhood around the park is over 75% hispanic. Grocery stores and other facilites are nearby.

**Work Environment:** The research project will be predominantly in the office, archives, and libraries with some work in the park. We normally sponsor several interns in resource management each summer. In 2020 we had two interns and in 2019 we had four. There are also interns in other divisions in the park.

**VEHICLE AND DRIVER LICENSE REQUIREMENTS**

A driver's license is not required but is highly recommended. San Antonio is a car city although it does have public transportation and we have had interns that have managed to get around using that.