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The National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), located in beautiful Golden, Colorado, is a leader in the U.S. Department of Energy's effort to secure an energy future for the nation that is environmentally and economically sustainable.

Internship (year round) Tribal Energy Program

A year round student internship is available in the National Renewable Energy Laboratory's (NREL) Integrated Applications Center in Golden Colorado. The position would be part- to full time (30-40 hours per week) during the academic year with the potential for long-term coverage during school breaks (e.g., winter holidays and summer).

NREL seeks a self-motivated intern to **support the Tribal Energy program**. NREL's Tribal Energy program partners with Native American Tribes and Alaska Native Villages, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), and other federal agencies, non-profits, and intertribal organizations to provide resources and direct assistance that support clean energy technology delivery and connect motivated tribal governments with NREL's world-class science and analytics. With a high value placed on community self-sufficiency and self-determination, tribes and Alaska Native Villages are well positioned to lead the clean energy market by providing scalable sustainable community models that are transferable to state, local, and national governments.

The Tribal intern will be an active member of the tribal team. The Tribal intern should have a technical background that facilitates their participation in analysis of energy data, renewable energy potential, renewable energy finance, and energy efficiency options. Backgrounds in engineering, finance, environmental science, or statistics would be most useful. This program works cross-culturally with federally recognized tribes. Experience working in multicultural environments is necessary. The job will consist of three main tasks: support for strategic energy planning, support for technical assistance tasks, and research supporting current and future studies.

Strategic Energy Planning

The Tribal intern will support the tribal strategic energy planning team by providing background research on each of the supported tribes. This research includes, but is not limited to, analysis of tribal energy data, analysis of state energy policies, and analysis of renewable energy resource data. The intern may have opportunities to assist with strategic energy planning workshops on tribal lands throughout the nation, therefore a willingness to travel is preferable.



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Technical Assistance

The Tribal intern will be responsible for tracking the status of open technical assistance requests. The intern will also be responsible for scoping technical assistance activities with tribal stakeholders. The intern may provide technical assistance to tribes depending on tribal needs and intern's skillset.

Studies

The Tribal intern will support in-depth research projects related to the tribal team. This includes background research, analysis, and writing of papers.

Preferred Qualifications

Backgrounds in engineering, finance, environmental science, public policy, economics or statistics are encouraged. Must be personable, professional, and comfortable engaging with tribal, federal, state and local stakeholders. Excellent critical thinking, communication, research, analysis, and writing skills required. Must be able to develop ideas and solutions based on novel or unconventional approaches. Ability to apply individual initiative to accomplish tasks based on limited or partial information is essential. Knowledge of clean energy policies strongly recommended. An ideal candidate will be culturally aware and sensitive to the needs of tribal populations.

To Apply: Please apply online at: www.nrel.gov/employment and search for **Req #R1173**.

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