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# 2016 Washington Native Interns

The US Department of Energy Office of Indian Energy is pleased to announce the 2016 Washington Native Interns. These summer interns are participating through a collaboration with several programs including the Washington Internships for Native Students (WINS) through the American University and the Minority Educational Institution Student Partnership Program (MEISPP).

### Czarina Campos

Tribal Affiliation: Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

University: Arizona State University

Work Assignment: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, National

**Electricity Delivery Division (NEDD)** 

Internship Details: NEDD summer interns will help in the Department's efforts to provide technical assistance to states, regional entities, and tribes to help them develop and improve their programs, policies, and laws that will facilitate the development of reliable and affordable electricity infrastructure. Interns will work with the Grid Technical Assistance team to develop a resource library database, tracking database, and related web content for the Electricity Policy Technical Assistance Program.



# Nancy Deere-Turney

Tribal Affiliation: Muscogee (Creek) Nation University: Oklahoma State University

Work Assignment: Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs

Internship Details: The intern will be responsible for assisting a variety of tasks typical in a government legal department, including, but not limited to: Reviewing and revising (as necessary) routing agreements, non-disclosure agreements and other legal documents. Researching specific legal issues as well as government law department best practices and reporting those findings. The intern will also be expected to draft routine contracts and agreements as well as participate in the development of employee training materials in the areas of federal energy and Indian law, records and information management, contract review and maintenance and other duties as assigned. The intern will work with the executive management teams to solve other problems as they arise.



# Morgan Gray

Tribal Affiliation: Chickasaw Nation University: Oklahoma State University

Work Assignment: Office of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Policy and

Compliance Office of the General Council

Internship Details: An internship with the NEPA Office offers students firsthand exposure to how the Department of Energy achieves its diverse mission while ensuring compliance with NEPA and other related environmental review requirements. NEPA Office interns have the unique opportunity to work with staff throughout the DOE, as our staff supports all DOE offices. Assignments vary from technical reviews to administrative support.



# Cody Johnson

Tribal Affiliation: Navajo Nation

University: Northern Arizona University

Work Assignment: Office of Nuclear Energy, (NE) Nuclear Fuels Storage and Trans-

portation (NFST) Planning Project

Internship Details: An Outreach/Communication on Radioactive Waste Management and Transportation Planning internship with the NE Office and NFST offers students firsthand exposure to how DOE achieves its mission to safely manage radioactive waste, and provides a unique opportunity to work with staff in NE, additional offices in DOE, other Federal agencies, and Tribal/State stakeholders.



#### Natalia Sells

Tribal Affiliation: Navajo Nation University: Ft. Lewis College

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# Stephanie Stewart

Tribal Affiliation: Navajo Nation

University: Institute of American Indian Arts

Work Assignment: Jobs Strategy Council and Workforce Training Initiative

Internship Details: The mission of the Jobs Strategy Council is to accelerate the growth of and access to jobs in all sectors of the United States energy economy while meeting the goals of the Administration's Climate Action Plan. We accomplish the mission through a cross-cutting initiative that integrates the research, technology, and economic resources of the Department to respond to the economic and workforce development needs of the energy industry. An intern with the Jobs Strategy Council can be expected to work on a number of projects related to this mission. Projects will include research and analysis, webinar and website development and the coordination of Jobs Council events.



#### Nicole Yamane

Tribal Affiliation: Native Hawaiian University: University of Washington

Work Assignment: Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs

Internship Details: The intern will assist the Office of Congressional & Intergovernmental Affairs with outreach to Native Americans around DOE programs and Secretarial initiatives. Help the office cultivate relationships with Tribal governments in coordination with the Office of Indian Energy and other program offices. Support the office's work with states and local governments and stakeholder organizations including the National Congress of American Indians. Help strengthen relationships with Tribal governments while coordinating with other DOE offices involved in implementing Native American programs and policies. Monitor Congressional briefings and hearings on Tribal issues, and participate in relevant meetings and conferences. Compile and manage the office's Tribal, intergovernmental and external stakeholder lists.



# Alyssa Norris

University: Washington State University

Work Assignment: Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs

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