**Preservation Scholars Program Application**

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**Personal Information**

First Name (Required)

Last Name (Required)

Gender (Required)

Please indicate gender and preferred pronouns below:

U.S. Citizen? (Required)

Yes

No

Permanent U.S. Resident? (Required)

Yes

No

Texas Resident? (Required)

Yes

No

Email (Required)

Please note: Sometimes emails from the Friends of the Texas Historical Commission may arrive in your junk or spam folders. Please watch these folders for communications from us.

Phone (Required)

Please note: You may be contacted via text message regarding your application.

Are you a first generation college student?

A first generation student is defined as a student whose parent(s) did not complete a four-year college or university degree.

Yes

No

Are you a non-traditional student?

A non-traditional student is defined as a student who meets any of the following characteristics: is over the age of 24, is a parent, is a veteran.

Yes

No

How did you learn of this internship?(Required)

Social Media (Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter)

Email from THC or FTHC

University/Professor

University Posting

Information Session hosted by FTHC

Other

Current Address(Required)

Street Address Address Line 2 City State / Province / Region ZIP / Postal Code

Permanent Address

Please provide a permanent address if different from above.

Street Address Address Line 2 City State / Province / Region ZIP / Postal Code

Ethnicity/Heritage-Required Field(Required)

American Indian or Alaska Native (A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community attachment)

Asian (A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian Subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam)

Black or African American (A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa)

Hispanic or Latino (A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race)

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands)

White (A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa)

Other

**School Information**

Student Status:(Required)

Please note, if you have been accepted to graduate school but have not yet begun your program, please select "Current Graduate Student." Upload proof of acceptance below.

Current Undergraduate Student

Current Graduate Student

Proof of Acceptance to Graduate School

If you have been accepted to graduate school but have not yet begun, please upload proof of acceptance. An email or letter of acceptance will suffice. **Files must be less than 2 MB**. **Allowed file types:** gif jpg jpeg png pdf doc docx.

Max. file size: 2 MB.

**Undergraduate Information**

Name of University - Undergraduate(Required)

Undergraduate Hours Completed(Required)

Please note, you need to have completed a minimum of 50 credit hours in order to be eligible to apply.

Undergraduate GPA (4.0 System)(Required)

Please note, a GPA of 3.0 or higher is needed in order to be eligible to apply.

Undergraduate Major(Required)

Undergraduate Minor/Concentration(Required)

Undergraduate Date of Graduation(Required)

Please give the date you obtained your undergraduate degree. If you are still working on your degree, estimate when you will graduate.

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**Graduate School Information**

If you are a current graduate student, please complete this section. If you are not a current graduate student, skip this section.

Name of University - Graduate

Graduate Major or Program

Graduate GPA (4.0 System)

Graduate School Date of Graduation

Please estimate when you will graduate.

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**Background Information**

Background and Perspective(Required)

The goal of the Preservation Scholars Program is to increase the diversity of professionals working in the field of historic preservation so that the stories of the many of cultures that enrich Texas’ heritage can be fully told and a wider range of communities can be engaged in supporting preservation efforts. If you are selected for this internship, what cultural perspectives and background will you bring to your position? This is a good opportunity to talk about your lived experience and how that experience contributes to your goals, attitudes, and career interests. (max. 500 words)

History and Historic Preservation Interest(Required)

Historic preservation encompasses many efforts – community heritage, archaeology, oral history, architectural preservation, and the preservation, conservation, and protection of objects, landscapes, traditions, or other artifacts both tangible and intangible of historical significance. What interests you personally about history and historic preservation? (max. 250 words)

Skills and Experience(Required)

What skills will you be able to bring to this internship? How will these skills enhance your work as an intern, and on a larger scale, enhance the work of the Texas Historical Commission? These can be skills you've gained through professional experience, school, or personal experience – for example, technical skills such as Photoshop or GIS, communication skills such as strong writing and editing, research skills, project management skills, or more general skills such as time management and work ethic. Use this opportunity to share any information about your personal or academic background that you think might shed additional light on your candidacy as a Preservation Scholar. (max. 250 words)

Research and Career Interests(Required)

What do you hope to learn or gain from this internship?

**Project Selections**

Choose Projects(Required)

Please read the "Project List" document at the top of this form. Then, select your top three project choices from the list below. Project selection is not guaranteed but helps us inform placement in your internship.

Project 1: Magoffin Home Archives Internship (Location: Magoffin Home State Historic Site in El Paso)

Project 2: CHCs Efforts to Document Historic Structures (Location: THC Headquarters in Austin)

Project 3: Beyond the Markers Project (Location: THC Headquarters in Austin)

Project 4: Mapping Texas Military History (Location: THC Headquarters in Austin)

Project 5: Educational Programming Expansion at San Felipe de Austin (Location: San Felipe State Historic Site in San Felipe)

Project 6: Onboarding and Offboarding Workflow Project (Location: THC Headquarters in Austin)

Project 7: Digital Storytelling: Undertold History for Travelers (Location: THC Headquarters in Austin)

Project 8: First Friday News for Friends, Newsletter for Nonprofits (Location: THC Headquarters in Austin)

Project 9: African American Travel Guide Survey Project (Location: THC Headquarters in Austin)

Project 10: Telling our Stories - Nonprofit Communications (Location: THC Headquarters in Austin)

Project 11: A River Runs Through It: The Texas Historical Commission (THC) State Waterway Archeology Mapping Project (SWAMP)

Project 12: State Archeology Programs Intern

Project 13: Festivals and Events Held on Historic Courthouse Squares

Explain your Project Choices(Required)

In the space below, indicate your first, second, and third choices in order of priority with your most-desired project as number 1. Briefly explain why you are interested in these projects. Please note: Your project selections do not have to be based on your academic or work experience and qualifications. For example, if you are particularly interested in an archeology or heritage travel related project, but have no experience in either field, just explain what about this particular project excites you. Project selection is not guaranteed but helps us inform placement in your internship. (max. 250 words)

Internship Housing

Basic student housing in Austin in dorms is available at no cost for those interns who need it. Will you require housing?

Yes

No

Other

In-Person and Remote Internships

Only certain projects are available remotely. Most will be either fully or mostly in person. Please indicate whether you would be able to participate in the program in person, remotely, or either.

In-person

Remote

Either in-person or remote

Curriculum vitae/Résumé(Required)

Attach a curriculum vitae or résumé. Include scholarships, fellowships, grants, awards and publications. Also, if English is not your native language, describe the level of your proficiency in reading, conversing, and writing in English. **Files must be less than 10 MB**. **Allowed file types:** txt rtf html pdf doc docx ppt pptx xls xlsx xml bz2 dmg gz jar rar sit tar zip.

Max. file size: 10 MB.

Transcript 1(Required)

Unofficial transcripts from appropriate institutions must be submitted with this application form. List the colleges or universities from which you are submitting transcripts. If selected for the internship, you will be required to submit an official copy of your transcript. **Files must be less than 2 MB**. **Allowed file types:** gif jpg jpeg png pdf doc docx.

Max. file size: 2 MB.

Transcript 2

Unofficial transcripts from appropriate institutions must be submitted with this application form. List the colleges or universities from which you are submitting transcripts. If selected for the internship, you will be required to submit an official copy of your transcript. **Files must be less than 2 MB**. **Allowed file types:** gif jpg jpeg png pdf doc docx.

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Do you have previous Texas Historical Commission experience? Yes/No. If yes, please describe below.(Required)

Relatives Affiliated with THC?Do you have any relatives affiliated with the agency? If yes, please list name(s) and relationship(s).

Confirmation of Program Timeline

The Preservation Scholars internship for 2024 begins on June 3, 2024 and ends on August 2, 2024. The internship is a full time position, 40 hours a week for 10 weeks. Are you able to commit fully to the internship duration?

Yes, I will be able to attend the entire internship.

No, I cannot commit to the entire internship.

Other

**Statement of Intent**

By clicking submit, I indicate that I understand I am applying to the 2024 Preservation Scholars Program and I confirm that all information submitted is correct as stated. I have read the application instructions and, if selected, I agree to comply with all THC policies, procedures and employment requirements.