FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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Here you will find questions we are asked the most about applying to our Volunteer and Internship programs.

HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?



How long are your internships?

Internships follow the local academic year. The terms are Fall, Spring, and Summer. Each term is roughly 3-5 months.

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How long is the Volunteer program? Is there a required amount of time?

Volunteers are required to follow the same schedule as an internship. The terms are Fall, Spring, and Summer. Each term is roughly 3-5 months. When the term is completed, the volunteer can decide to stay for another term.

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What is required for an internship?

Each Intern is required to complete a department assignment given by the Department Supervisor and a Final Project.





Are your internships paid?

No, we do not offer paid internships. However, you will learn valuable archeological skills that may make you more marketable in the field.

Can I get college credit for completing an internship with the SDAC?

Yes! We will gladly work with your institution to ensure you receive credit for your internship. Your institution's internship office will provide you with the necessary paperwork.

Will I have a set schedule?

Yes, you have a set schedule.
However, if changes need to be made during the term, we will accommodate you if possible.
We do ask you keep us informed so we can manage workspace.



Do you accept interns from other states and countries for course credit?

Yes! Students from other states and countries are encouraged to apply. However, be aware that you will be responsible for finding your own transportation and accommodations.

Is there a dress code?

Casual attire is permitted. If you are working in the vaults area or with oversized artifact, closed-toe shoes are required.

Do you provide letters of recommendation?

Yes! Interns and Volunteers who complete all requirements are eligible for recommendations from Center Staff.





Where are you located?

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The Center is located in northern San Diego County in the San Pasqual Valley, a rural agricultural area.

Address: 16666 San Pasqual Valley Road

Escondido, California 92027 Phone number: 760-291-0370

Please park in the front parking lot. Accessible parking is located at the top of the ramp on the western end of the front lot.



What are your hours?

We are open Wednesday through Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Center is closed Monday, Tuesday, and Sunday.

Is there a place nearby where I can get food or snacks?

Unfortunately, there are no food services at or near the Center (with the exception of the San Diego Safari Park). We ask interns to bring their own food. A refrigerator is located in the break area.







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"Volunteers and Interns, you are amazing! We would not be here without you. Thank you for all you do!
- Jess McPheters, Collections
Manager