Community Memory Internship Description

| Position Title: Community Memory Intern | Position Duration: Summer 2021 |
| Reports to: Amy Fulkerson, MA, Chief Curator, and Stephanie Prichard, MA, Registrar |
| Location: Witte Museum, San Antonio, Texas (onsite and/or remote) |

About the Witte:
The Witte Museum is where Nature, Science and Culture meet. Through the lens of Texas Deep Time, the Witte explores the histories of millions of years ago, thousands of years ago and hundreds of years ago. Themes of land, sky, and water weave through the museum and enliven the Witte’s educational offerings. Only at the Witte can visitors see the dinosaurs that roamed along the shallow seas that would become Texas, understand the People of the Pecos and other hunter-gathering societies, travel through courageous and contentious histories, and see the value of land stewardship through the abundant flora and fauna on the expansive lands of Texas. The Witte Museum inspires people to shape the future of Texas through relevant and transformative experiences in nature, science and culture.  www.wittemuseum.org

Internship Summary:
This internship will provide a hands-on professional experience to further advance two strategic initiatives: rapid response collecting and social justice collecting. For rapid response collecting, the intern will actively collect material related to the initiative by identifying individuals, contacting them, and securing the material for the Witte Museum’s collection. The intern will also develop an oral history protocol to utilize when collecting such material. For social justice collecting, the intern will identify past and current social justice organizations within San Antonio, make connections with those organizations, and summarize the work and material culture related to those organizations. These two ventures will accumulate in a final project to develop a video production for the digital initiative Witte Where You Are.

Summary of Responsibilities:
- Identify and contact potential donors for the rapid response collecting initiative.
- Assist in processing rapid response material into the Witte Museum’s collection.
- Create oral history protocol for recording individual’s stories related to both rapid response and social justice collecting; possibly conduct oral histories related to rapid response collecting.
- Create comprehensive list and summary of social justice organizations in San Antonio.
- Draft script and/or storyboard for Witte Where You Are video segment.
- Produce Witte Where You Are segment (if time allows).

Required Qualifications:
- Enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate degree program in museum studies, history, public history, or related field.
- Interested in or has an understanding of museum best practices and standards.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Exhibit attention to detail, precision with execution of work, and critical thinking skills.
- Ability to work independently or collaboratively with others.

| Hours per week: 10 – 20 / week or 120 hours total | Compensation: Nonpaid (for course credit) or Partner Funded Paid |

How to Apply
Interested parties should complete the Internship Application on the Witte Museum website (https://www.wittemuseum.org/intern-application/) and include a cover letter which includes how one’s interest, skills, and experience combined qualify one for the internship and how the internship fits into your academic and/or career goals along with a resume by May 1, 2021.