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Dear potential applicant,

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We are recruiting a paid intern for the spring/summer of 2020. To apply, please send a letter of interest and resume/CV to [benabbott@byu.edu](mailto:benabbott@byu.edu). Please specify your preferred start date (the start date could be as soon as this week, or as late as May or June). The intern will be compensated with a stipend (approximately \$3,000 for ~250 hours of work depending on experience and performance). Thanks for your interest.

### Ecotopia Now! - Summer Internship

This internship is an opportunity for a student with a science background to work alongside a Broader Impacts Partner of the National Science Foundation to gain an on-the-ground understanding of one innovative approach to communicating scientific research to the public in a way that creates positive cultural change.

In this internship you would work alongside the director of [SHAKE YOUR PEACE! and The Whupestra](#) - an experimental musical theater company/band based in Salt Lake City - as the company stages its spectacular, bicycle-powered performances (such as their flagship production: [Ecotopia Now!](#)), to communicate a vision of "ecotopia" - a culture of ecological and social sustainability.

True to the working reality of staff members in most independent performing arts organizations, you will wear many hats. You will learn what goes into the creation and operation of an independent musical theater company/band. You will have hands-on opportunities to help with stage management, band management, work with stage and theatrical equipment, including the second largest bicycle-powered sound system in the country, and interact with musicians, dancers, actors, and technical crew. You will attend performances at arts and music events around Utah, and interact with fans at the merch table, answering questions, and making sales. Most importantly you will help with the arts-administration side of the organization: communicating the project's vision and needs to community partners and collaborators, funders, sponsors, foundations, festival bookers, the press, the cast & crew, and audiences. You'll be trained in the day-to-day operations: how to create bookings for concerts, "advance" a show, and how to get the press to give us some ink. This is an opportunity to use the arts to reshape the cultural and physical landscape of Utah, and the planet, for the better.

Requirements: Interns must enjoy *communicating* in many mediums and with many different people, be excellent at making and keeping agreements, be fluent on digital technology, have their own transportation strategy, and be able to travel at least once a week to Salt Lake City. This position would provide interns with an opportunity to work closely with a culturally and ethnically diverse team coming from a rich variety of life experiences and backgrounds. Multicultural experience and interest are a plus.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gabe Dominguez". The signature is stylized and includes a musical treble clef on the left side.

Gabe Dominguez  
Director of SHAKE YOUR PEACE! and The Whupestra  
A proud Broader Impacts Partner of the National Science Foundation