



## **ASSOCIATION ON AMERICAN INDIAN AFFAIRS**

Protecting Sovereignty • Preserving Culture • Educating Youth

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### **Cultural Sovereignty Fellowship Applications due Monday, April 23, 2018**

The **ASSOCIATION ON AMERICAN INDIAN AFFAIRS**, or **AAIA**, is the oldest American Indian advocacy organization in the United States, founded in New York City in 1922. The organization began as several not-for-profit citizen organizations that supported change in federal Indian law towards Tribal self-determination, sovereignty, and protection of lands and culture. In 1948, the groups merged and became the AAIA and continued its tradition of serving Indian Tribes, their citizens and all indigenous communities within the United States with a mission of protecting tribal sovereignty, preserving culture and educating youth.

**AAIA** involves itself at the grassroots and national levels in partnership with Tribes and their citizens and members to seek solutions and policies that empower self-determining and sustainable Indian Nations. The **AAIA** is governed by an all-Native Board of Directors from across Indian Country that works in alliance with its Executive Director. The **AAIA** office is located near Washington, DC in Rockville, Maryland.

The **CULTURAL SOVEREIGNTY FELLOWSHIP** is a one-year fellowship position. AAIA is seeking recent graduates of undergraduate, graduate or law degree programs; the applicant must have or will graduate between January 2016 and June 2018. A successful applicant will receive a stipend starting at \$35,000 depending on the applicant's degree program and level of experience. The job location is in Rockville, Maryland, in the metro DC area.

The **CULTURAL SOVEREIGNTY FELLOW** will support the development of national policy in Indian affairs, and provide research, analysis and writing to support programs that include youth education, juvenile justice issues, sacred site protection, repatriation and protection of cultural heritage.

A full description of the position can be found at [www.indian-affairs.org](http://www.indian-affairs.org). To apply for this important fellowship position, please provide the following documentation by 5:00pm E.S.T. on Monday, April 23, 2018, to [general.aaia@indian-affairs.org](mailto:general.aaia@indian-affairs.org):

- Resume
- Final transcript (does not need to be a sealed official transcript)
- Two writing samples, that are original work, that total no more than 15 pages
- One written recommendation from a professor or Tribal leader
- Three references that include personal and professional references

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