The Cheyenne River Youth Project (lakotayouth.org) is a grassroots, not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing the youth of the Cheyenne River Reservation with access to a vibrant and secure future. This is achieved through provision of a wide variety of culturally sensitive and enduring programs, projects, and facilities that ensure strong, self-sufficient families and communities. BYU interns will support the mission and objectives of the Cheyenne River Youth Project by applying their skills and talents. Internship activities will be centered on health and wellness programming as they relate to one or more of the following areas of focus: Native Wellness, Native Food Sovereignty, Social Enterprise, Indigenous Cooking, and Art & Culture. BYU interns will learn from local leaders and community members, and gain understanding of culturally appropriate ways of collaborating and executing several projects. Students will have the opportunity to participate in cultural events and visit historical sites of the area.

DATES
26 June–12 August 2024 (approx.)

HOUSING
Students will be housed in the Project’s Main Youth Center in Eagle Butte, South Dakota. The housing provides facilities for storing, preparing, and cooking meals.

COURSES
Students in the program are required to take 6 credit hours from the following options:
HLTH 496R—Academic Internship
HLTH 199R—Non-research Internship
IAS 399R—International Development Internship
IAS 380R—Cultural Proofs, HLTH 403R—Special Topics
Graduate credit for MPH fieldwork is also available.
Students may not take any other courses on this program, including BYU Online courses, without approval by the program director and ISP.
COST
$1,624

Includes Latter-day Saint, undergraduate full tuition for 6 credit hours (increased cost for graduate and non-Latter-day Saint students), housing, and local excursions.

Does not include transportation, meals, personal expenses, or immunizations.

TRAVEL
Students are responsible for purchasing their own airfare to and from the program sites. Airline reservations must be made through BYU Travel. Students should contact a BYU Travel agent. BYU Travel | 280 HRCB | (801) 422-6293 | travel@byu.edu

PREPARATION
Students will be interviewed for selection into the program.

Accepted students are required to participate in a cross-cultural, internship preparation course (IAS 369R, 1 credit hour) held during the second block of winter semester 2024. Part-time BYU students will need to pay an additional tuition fee for the prep class.

Spouses also need to be credit-bearing participants on the program; they must apply online and take the preparation course.

Students must meet all country- and program-specific COVID and health requirements for travel.

FUNDING SOURCES
Regular BYU tuition scholarships, Pell Grants, and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to study abroad programs. Students who submit the financial aid section of the ISP application and who have a current FAFSA form on file at the Financial Aid Office (A-41 ASB) will be considered for a Study Abroad scholarship. Academic departments and colleges may assist with scholarships and grants. Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may also assist (see kennedy.byu.edu/scholarships).

APPLICATION PROCESS
BYU welcomes students from any university to apply to participate in our study abroad programs. However, internships and direct enrollment programs are limited to BYU Provo students.

Students must be 18 years of age or older to participate.

Complete the online application at kennedy.byu.edu/isp-apply. A nonrefundable $35 application fee is required.

Applicants will be interviewed once the application is complete.

Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance into the program.

The first payment is due upon acceptance. Please refer to the 2024 Payment Information page.

Application Deadline: 31 January 2024

FACULTY
Carl Hanson is a professor of health promotion with experience working with indigenous populations. Please contact Dr. Hanson with any questions. 2139B LSB | (801) 422-9103 | carl_hanson@byu.edu

Randy M. Page is director of the BYU Global Health Internship Program and a professor of health science.

SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT
Students should plan to be in Eagle Butte, South Dakota on 26 June. The program will end on 12 August. Students should refrain from scheduling late arrivals or early departures.

INTERESTED STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT
International Study Programs
101 HRCB | (801) 422-3686
isp@byu.edu | kennedy.byu.edu/isp

PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS
International Study Programs (ISP) reserves the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost. If it becomes necessary for ISP to cancel a program, all program payments made to BYU ISP will be refunded to the student's BYU Financial account. ISP is the only office authorized to cancel any of its programs.