The Diné Language Teacher Institute (DLTI) is seeking a GRADUATE ASSISTANT for Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 semesters. DLTI is an institute with UNM’s Language, Literacy, and Sociocultural Studies Department, the Linguistics Department – Navajo Language Program, and the Native American Studies Department. DLTI trains Diné language speakers in Diné language immersion teaching methods.

**Graduate Assistant:**
The Graduate Assistant (GA) will work 20 hours a week for DLTI at .50 FTE percent appointment with a possible extension into summer months. Salary depends on classification and includes a tuition waiver up to 12 hours. The work for this position can be done remotely, with expectations to meet with supervisors for on campus events or classes on occasion or as needed.

The GA duties will include working with the Principal Investigators (PI) of the grant funded project, DLTI. The GA will work with PIs to support DLTI planning, publicizing, and coordinating of DLTI events and activities throughout the year. These activities include outreach and recruitment of DLTI cohort participants, planning winter and summer events and symposiums, providing support to PIs in their courses with DLTI cohort members, and working with external entities supporting DLTI initiatives. The GA will also support DLTI’s outreach in social media and websites. Training in website development and updating is available.

**Start date:** As soon as possible

**Who is eligible:** Graduate students who have demonstrated an interest in DLTI are eligible for the position. Diné language fluency is desired, but not a requirement. Organizational skills are required; basic computer skills are required; communication skills are required; advanced computer skills with HTML and Adobe Creative Cloud applications are preferred, such as knowledge of computer programs for web design, flyers and announcements design, and events planning. Graduate students who are currently or will be enrolled for a minimum of six hours in approved courses in the Fall, have a 3.0 grade point average, and be within the time limit for degree completion are encouraged to apply.

NOTE: Out-of-state students awarded GAs are eligible for the resident tuition rate provided the FTE is 25% or higher and they hold the assistantship for at least one-half of
the semester. The tuition waiver may only be used for courses approved by the graduate program in which the student is currently enrolled.

**How to apply:** Applicants should submit a letter of interest, a two–page CV or resume, and the names and contact information for two references. The letter of interest should address the following: communication skills; Diné language skills (if applicable); computer proficiency and organizational skills; experience working in diverse settings and multi-tasking. Please include both telephone number and e-mail contact information.

**Apply by** September 2, 2022

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