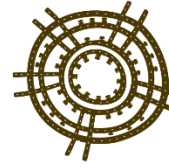


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Re: Open letter - Call for greater focus on scientific education and training in Greenland

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Dear Friend of the Museum,

The Greenland National Museum and Archives (NKA) is committed to fostering the educational advancement and training of Greenlandic students and early career professionals in the Humanities and Sciences. As part of this mission, the Museum seeks to support and facilitate opportunities for young Greenlandic citizens to engage with foreign researchers and scholars. Specifically, the NKA encourages sustainable programs of educational development through the promotion of scientific and scholarly research that:

- builds and strengthens the professional capacities of young people at both the local and national level;
- encourages public engagement and public service;
- engenders leadership training and scientific literacy to young people in environmental and social policy issues;
- offers educational alternatives to the challenges of globalization through research and knowledge-sharing;
- assists Greenlandic students in planning for higher education and career development through a lifelong learning perspective;
- advances gender equality and equal opportunity in the Sciences and Humanities;
- promotes ethical and socially responsible stewardship of Greenland's cultural and natural resources;
- mobilizes international interest in the advancement of Greenland's educational system.

The NKA is committed to advocating, supporting and pursuing educational opportunities with all our foreign partners working in Greenland. Subsequently, the NKA's most important priorities for encouraging educational development and capacity-building in the coming years include:

- Collaborating with foreign institutions, researchers and scholars to develop networks to support educational exchange and direct training and participation in scientific fieldwork,
- Promoting scientific projects and fieldwork that prepare university students to become competent professionals in their chosen discipline,
- Identifying opportunities for Greenlandic students and foreign scholars to collaborate in international education experiences,
- Capitalizing on the NKA's resources to service a large and diverse population of domestic and international students, researchers and visiting scholars.

If you are a scholar or researcher preparing to work in Greenland, we invite you to consider how your project or institution can promote educational training and development for the next generation of Greenlandic professionals. Our goal is to foster an open community of diverse intellectual and scholarly exchange in Greenland that encourages international participation and cooperation. If you would like more information about opportunities for including Greenlandic students in your research, developing an institutional affiliation with the NKA or opportunities for the public dissemination of your research to the general public, please send all inquiries to harmsen@natmus.gl.

Sincerely,



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