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During the summer, a group of Native American students from Utah State University Blanding spent four weeks at USU's Logan campus, gaining hands-on experience in labs and research as part of the Native American Mentorship Program (NASMP). The program consisted of rigorous academic content, as well as laboratory and field exercises. The Blanding students were mentored in small groups and one-on-one by graduate students and faculty.

Many of the students who participate in the summer program choose to complete their four-year bachelor's degree in Logan once they have graduated from the Blanding with a two-year associate degree. Students who do the transition from Blanding to Logan can take advantage of the expanded opportunities at the Logan campus and an easier move within the USU system as opposed to a transfer to a different institution.

The Native American Serving Non-Tribal Institutions (NASNTI) Grant funds NASMP. It began in 2014 with four students and has increased every year since. The goal is to help low-income American Indian students pursue higher education in STEM careers.



