

POSITION X1951

Tennessee Extension Internship Program: ANR/CED Plant Sciences Department
10-week Summer Internship

LOCATION

The student will work in the Plant Sciences Department, Knoxville at the University of Tennessee. Prior to starting the internship, interns will participate in a day-long orientation to familiarize them with Tennessee Extension Programs in ANR.

EFFECTIVE DATE

May 21 – July 30, 2020

SALARY AND BENEFITS

A stipend in the amount of \$6,840.00 for the 10-week internship is provided for each intern. As with any position, it is expected that an intern is able to get to and from work each day. Generally, interns ride with Extension agents during significant work-related travel and therefore do not receive a travel budget allotment.

JOB DESCRIPTION

This internship will focus on two linked Extension horticulture projects that will serve both youth and adult audiences.

- 1) Management of Tennessee home garden variety trial plots at the Organic Crops Unit (East Tennessee Research and Education Center).
 - These trial plots are designed to provide variety selection and cultivation information for gardeners across Tennessee and augment citizen science trials. Work will involve planting, managing and harvesting plots to support data collection.
 - Educational outreach including field tours for gardeners and activities for 4-H academic congress will be hosted at the trial site.
- 2) Assist in the development of 4-H horticulture and garden 4-H publications (curriculum) that will be centered on home vegetable gardens.
 - Pictures and videos will be collected from the trial plots to be used as a part of the 4-H curriculum.
 - Trial experiments and educational learning objectives incorporated into the curriculum will be developed and tested using the field plot trials.

REQUIREMENTS

- Candidate must be enrolled in a college of agriculture, natural resources, environmental science or closely related major.
- Should have completed at least 50 percent of the required course work for the Bachelor's degree with a cumulative GPA of 2.7 (on a 4.0 scale) or higher and has not yet started a graduate program.
- Preference will be given to students presently enrolled in the University of Tennessee, Tennessee State University, any other university or college in Tennessee, or to a student resident of Tennessee enrolled elsewhere. Preference will also be given to those with Extension experience (i.e. former 4-H member, etc.). However, all eligible applicants will be considered.
- Must reside in, or live within a reasonable commuting distance of the assigned location. Housing not provided.
- Must have own transportation to and from work.
- Must present a written and oral report of the project accomplishments and training experience at the end of the internship.

For best consideration, applications for the internship should be submitted by **December 15, 2019**. *Applications received after this date will be reviewed if all slots have not been filled.*

Applicants may be interviewed. Successful applicants will be notified by January 31, 2020.

Apply on-line at: https://ut.taleo.net/careersection/ut_knoxville/jobsearch.ftl?lang=en

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- [Complete Online Application](#)
- Attach Resume to Online Application
- Attach Transcript to Online Application
- [Attach Completed Addendum to Online Application \(https://extension.tennessee.edu/employment/Pages/Internships.aspx\)](https://extension.tennessee.edu/employment/Pages/Internships.aspx)

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