University of Arizona Cooperative Extension
Sustainability Externship-Summer 2014
Application

The University of Arizona Cooperative Extension Sustainability Team is seeking resident undergraduate students for an externship program for the Summer 2014. This Externship program is intended to provide undergraduate students with a work experience addressing community-scale sustainability projects in several rural communities throughout Arizona. Qualified externs will be paid minimum wage ($7.90) for up to 10 weeks and 40 hours per week of work. These Externships will provide students with unique opportunities to develop and use their ‘in-demand’ knowledge and skills about local sustainability, as well as engaging with local stakeholders to meet the needs of a community. Externs will work directly with and be supervised by UA Cooperative Extension Agents in their respective project communities. Preferably, students will be matched with an Externship project in the county or community of their residence. The program is specifically not limited to science and engineering students, although US citizenship is required. Applications are especially encouraged from members of under-represented minority groups and from women. Students must have at least sophomore standing at the University of Arizona in order to apply. APPLICATION DEADLINE: MAY 16, 2014

Sustainability Projects include:

1. Local Food Supply Systems for Graham County (2 positions): Safford, Graham County Extension
   contact: Bill Brandau (email: wbrandau@cals.arizona.edu)
2. Tucson Village Farm (2 positions): Tucson, Pima County Extension
   contact: Elizabeth Sparks (email: esparks@cals.arizona.edu)
3. Agro-ecology Programs Gardening Literature, Video Translator and Voice Over: Phoenix, Maricopa County Extension
   contact: Kelly Young (email: kyoung@cals.arizona.edu)
4. Sustainable Solutions for Field Crops Pest Management in Central Arizona: Phoenix, Maricopa County Extension
   contact: Ayman Mostapha (email: ayman@email.arizona.edu)
5. Soil and Water Management: Casa Grande, Pinal County Extension
   contact: Shawna Loper (email: sloper@cals.arizona.edu)
6. White Mountain Apache Community Garden Assistance: Whiteriver, Navajo County Extension
   contact: Steve Campbell (campbell@cals.arizona.edu)
7. Globe Farmers’ Market Assistant Manager: Globe, Gila County Extension
   contact: Chris Jones (email: ckjones@cals.arizona.edu)
8. Integrated Sustainable Gardening Education: Bisbee/Douglas, Cochise County Extension
   contact: Darcy Tessman (email: dtessman@cals.arizona.edu)
9. SNAP-Ed Program Assistance: Bisbee/Douglas, Sierra Vista, Cochise County Extension
   contact: Evelyn Whitmer (email: emarkee@cals.arizona.edu)
10. Local Produce Access Project: Casa Grande, Pinal County Extension
    contact: Cathy Martinez (email:clmartinez@cals.arizona.edu)

For more information about any one of these projects, contact the Extension person listed for the project.
EMAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO APPROPRIATE PROJECT COORDINATOR(S).

While most of your time will be spent actually doing the project, Externship responsibilities include:
- Work in the project location for up to 10 weeks at 40 hours/week during Summer 2014
- Report to county Cooperative Extension Director or Agent on daily to weekly basis and develop evaluation criteria and metrics to measure sustainability outcomes as well as knowledge gained through implementation of project.
- Work with important community stakeholders to implement project.
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- Draft press release to announce completion of project and develop communication product (e.g. newsletter article, conference poster, PowerPoint presentation) to teach decision-makers and stakeholders about the project and your experience.

Applicant Information:  
First Name  
Last Name  
Date of Birth  
Major Department  
Student ID #  
University Email Address  
Permanent Email Address  
GPA (x.xx)  

Academic Standing (as of June 1, 2013)  
Sophomore  
Junior  
Senior  
Post-Baccalaureate  

Projected Graduation Date  

How did you learn about the Arizona Cooperative Extension Sustainability Externship?  
Arizona Daily Wildcat  
Program poster  
Program brochure  
List-serve announcement  
Other e-mail announcement  
Cooperative Extension website  
Undergraduate advisor  
Faculty member  
A previous undergraduate intern  
Another student  
Other  

Demographic Information (optional)  
Native American  
African American  
Hispanic  
Caucasian  
Asian  
Pacific Islander  
Other  

Parent Contact Information:  
First Name  
Last Name  
Street  
City  
County  
Zip  
Phone  
XXX-XXX-XXXX
Local Address:
Street
City       State       Zip
Local Phone
XXX-xxx-xxxx
Mobile Phone
XXX-xxx-xxxx

Please list a faculty reference:
Name
Department
Email
Phone
XXX-xxx-xxxx

Please list a professional/personal reference:
Name
Affiliation
Email
Phone
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Applicant Questions:

1. Please check which Sustainability Externship opportunity you are interested in participating in:
   - Local Food Supply Systems for Graham County (2 positions): Safford, Graham County Extension
   - Tucson Village Farm (2 positions): Tucson, Pima County Extension
   - Agro-ecology Programs Gardening Literature, Video Translator and Voice Over, Phoenix, Maricopa County Extension
   - Sustainable Solutions for Field Crops Pest Management in Central Arizona: Phoenix, Maricopa County Extension
   - Soil and Water Management: Casa Grande, Pinal County Extension
   - White Mountain Apache Community Garden Assistance: Whiteriver, Navajo County Extension
   - Globe Farmers’ Market Assistant Manager: Globe, Gila County Extension
   - Integrated Sustainable Gardening Education: Bisbee/Douglas, Cochise County Extension
   - SNAP-Ed Program Assistance: Bisbee/Douglas, Sierra Vista, Cochise County Extension
   - Local Produce Access Project: Casa Grande, Pinal County Extension

2. Please briefly describe your educational goals and career interests.

3. Please briefly describe your academic background, experience, and job skills.

4. Please describe why the Sustainability Externship is particularly suited to your needs and interests. What do you expect to gain from it? What can you contribute to the program that is special?

If you have any additional questions, contact:

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