

CRABTREE FARMS

2012 Internship Opportunities

Crabtree Farms is a non-profit research and educational project promoting sustainable agriculture. Crabtree Farms houses a non-profit office as well as a certified organic Urban Farm that grows vegetable, herb, and flower crops on 4 acres as a model of sustainable agriculture. The Urban Farm is an agricultural learning center for the Chattanooga community. Crabtree also produces the TasteBuds local food guide in print and online.

We offer unpaid internships in each of the three categories: Urban Farm, Communications, and Farm-to-School. Please apply to be considered for one of our 2012 internship positions.



Urban Farm Internship:

The **Urban Farming Internship** focuses on ecology, sustainable agriculture, botany and biology. The student will learn the basic principles of sustainable farming and small farm operation. Interns learn about and experience the strategies, practices, and technologies utilized in small scale organic farming which promote long-term improvements to the soil. Interns also perform routine farm tasks including: plant propagation, harvesting, soil prep, aeration and crop management, as well as assist with special events, educational programs, farmers markets, and tours.

Qualifications Required:

- Open to everyone (College credit may be earned.)
- Dedication to the conservation of local environment and willingness to learn about sustainable farming

Hours: A seasonal commitment of 150 hours with some weekend and special event hours. Must be able to work within a routine schedule. Spring, summer or fall semester or full-year internships available.

Farm-to-School Internship:

As a **Farm-to-School Intern**, you will assist with farm field trips & tours, nutrition education, and school gardens. Specific activities include lesson planning and activity development, data entry and office work, and Farm-to-School program outreach. Interns develop and gather resources, activities, and recipes featuring local foods and farms. Applicants should have a valid driver's license and transportation.

Qualifications required:

- Background in Education
- Artistic and Creative a plus
- Must be organized and have good time management skills

Hours: Minimum of 10 hours per week, for a total of 80 hours, with some weekend and special event hours. Must be able to work within a routine schedule. Available April-July.



Communications Internship:



The **Communications Internship** focuses on special projects in public relations, communications, journalism, and community outreach. Interns gain valuable experience with all aspects of a non-profit organization through marketing, data management, fundraising and program development to promote the goals and activities of Crabtree Farms. Interns also perform office tasks such as writing press releases, designing invitations, writing fundraising letters & outreach materials and database management, as well as assist with special events, community projects and educational programs.

Qualifications Required:

- Open to everyone (College credit may be earned.)
- Interest in non-profit work and sustaining our local food economy
- Skills needed: strong oral & written communication skills, time management & organization

Hours: Minimum 10 hours per week for a total of 150 hours, with some weekend and special event hours. Must be flexible to work on weekends and evenings occasionally. Spring or summer internships available.

To apply: Send a cover letter, resume, the attached application, and 2 letters of reference to Melanie Mayo via one of the following:

1. Email: mmayo@crabtreefarms.org
2. Mail to: Crabtree Farms
c/o Melanie Mayo
P.O. Box 2250
Chattanooga, TN 37409
3. Fax: 423-624-7439

Additional applications can be downloaded from our website: www.crabtreefarms.org

**Internships at Crabtree Farms are unpaid,
but the experience is invaluable!**

Questions? Want to set up an interview?
Call **Melanie Mayo** at (423) 493-9155, x.10

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Crabtree Farms is an urban teaching farm promoting sustainable agriculture in the Chattanooga community. Programs include the TasteBuds local food guide, Outreach & Education and Dig In Kids education program. Come visit us at our urban teaching farm! Crabtree Farms is located near downtown Chattanooga at 1000 East 30th Street.

<http://www.crabtreefarms.org>