

Crabtree Farms Internship Program

Position Title: Integrated Pest Management Internship - Spring

Location: Crabtree Farms. 1000 East 30th Street, Chattanooga TN 37403

Schedule Structure: Three month commitment between the months of January - May is required. Flexible start date. 14 hours a week (12hrs on site participation + 2hrs independent research). On-site working hours, between Tues- Sat 9am - 4pm.

Position Summary

The Integrated Pest Management (IPM) internship is a unique position that offers the dynamic opportunity to gain experience and diversify skills in the sustainable agriculture realm. Working directly with the Urban Farm team, the intern will be involved in expanding and implementing current IPM projects and identifying new bio-based pest management alternatives. Interns will receive a food bag every other week, as produce is available.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Installation of new native wildflower/pollinator gardens
- Weekly maintenance and care of current pollinator gardens and habitats
- Creation of new insect habitats in accordance with current IPM recommendations
- General farm support: harvesting, planting, weeding, crop care, property maintenance
- Weekly monitoring, data collecting and reporting of insect activity on property
- Completion of Bee Friendly Farming Certification process
- Keep current on relevant, regional, farm issues related to pest issues and solutions
- Other optional activities could include, but are not limited to: pollination station support during school field trips, hosting a workshop, new habitat installation, market support

Qualifications

- A desire to build knowledge around methods of sustainable and regenerative farming
- A self-motivated work ethic with the ability and desire to work independently as well as in close collaboration with others
- Flexibility and willingness to perform a variety of tasks in diverse situations in an outdoor environment
- A belief and understating of the importance of food access and community agriculture
- Desire to be a team player and maintain a positive attitude
- 18+ years of age

Relates to: Agriculture, Biology, Sustainability, Organic Farming, Environmentalism, Entomology, Plant Pathology, Public Health, Food Access, Community Activism

To Apply: Please submit resume and cover letter to Lauren Russek by January 31st. Filled on a rolling basis. Posted until filled.

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