Field & Fork Program Internships

The Field and Fork Program Internships are an opportunity to gain hands-on understanding of food systems. You will be working in a space that is dedicated to production, experiential education, research, and a community effort to minimize food insecurity on campus and across Gainesville.

Leadership in Food Systems requires a broad variety of knowledge and skills, including, but not limited to, marketing, communications, business management, soil science, ecology, entomology, plant pathology, education, nutrition, food safety, and social justice. These internships are for students who want to gain a deeper understanding of how these pieces fit together, how they connect to various careers paths, and how to work as a team to grow food and community sustainably.

Internship Description

We are seeking interns for the following projects:

1. **Outreach**: Develop and conduct an engaging and fun social media and outreach campaign! Practice photography and writing skills to engage the community and share farm stories.
2. **Gleaning**: Working with a team of government and non-profit institutions, create and pilot-test a cutting-edge gleaning program for reducing food waste.
3. **Composting**: Develop and implement an efficient composting process on-site to feed farm soils.

Field and Fork Interns will also spend approximately 25% of their time working on the range of key tasks for food production (such as soil care, water management, integrated pest management, and post-harvest handling) at the Field and Fork Farm and Gardens.

Learning Outcomes

The Field and Fork staff will work with interns to meet individual learning goals. In addition, you will:

- Gain practical experience in the primary skills needed for growing food sustainably.
- Learn leadership and collaboration skills for working with a diverse team.
- Learn to develop, implement, and evaluate an independent project.

To Apply

Internships are voluntary, and may be eligible for course credit, with departmental approval from Field and Fork and your advisor. Each project is unique, but estimated commitment is 10 hours/week.

To apply, please fill out the Field and Fork Farm and Garden Internship application available at https://fieldandfork.ufl.edu, and email it along with your resume to Dina Liebowitz (dinalieb@ufl.edu).

Please feel free to email us with any questions!
Field & Fork Farm and Gardens Positions

Federal Work Study and Volunteer

The Field and Fork Farm and Gardens Work Study and volunteer positions are an opportunity for students to gain hands-on experience and training in food production. We seek hearty souls eager to get their hands dirty. Learn by doing, work in teams for 5-10 hours per week to provide the labor necessary for running a successful farm, and help fellow Gators by producing food for the Alan and Cathy Hitchcock Pantry.

Position Description

Field and Fork Federal Work Study hires and volunteers will work with the managers on a range of tasks and concepts that are integral to managing a food production space. Days will be varied according to the current needs of the farm, but will include training and hard work in the following areas:

- Composting, cover-cropping, and mulching soils
- Planting seedlings and direct seed sowing
- Weeding, weeding, and more weeding!
- Inspecting plants for pests and disease
- Developing and implementing integrated pest management plans
- Managing the watering and irrigation systems
- Assisting in harvesting and post-harvest handling
- Leading teams to accomplish program goals

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