POSITION X2417

Tennessee Extension Internship Program: ANR/CED Soil, Plant and Pest Center 10-week Summer Internship

LOCATION

The student will work in the Plant and Pest Diagnostic Lab in Knoxville, TN 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

Tentative—May 22 – July 31, 2024

SALARY AND BENEFITS

A stipend in the amount of $6,840 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 and specialists during significant work-related travel and therefore do not receive a travel budget allotment.

JOB DESCRIPTION

• Learn about abiotic and biotic disorders in plants.
• Aid in lab routine tasks associated with diagnoses plant disease samples.
• Aid in the identification of plant diseases and pests.
• Aid in development of plant diagnostic lab work instructions.
• Aid in preparing clear, accurate, and concise diagnostic reports, including management recommendations.
• Communicate with sample provider, county agents, and specialist either verbally or in writing.
• Assist with social media for the Soil, Plant and Pest Center.
• Assist with entomology and plant pathology in-service training.
• Provide support with teaching hands-on materials for the Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology.

REQUIREMENTS

• Candidate must be enrolled in a college of agriculture, natural resources, environmental science or closely related major.
• Preference given to those that 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 at least one more semester to complete after the summer internship has ended. 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 February 29, 2024. 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 March 22, 2024.

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

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