



Witte-Schulte Student Intern

This is a valuable learning and networking opportunity that offers an intern the chance to join an organization with 23 years of experience producing high quality, nutritious, culturally relevant produce for our neighbors in Dane County, WI. Interns can expect to gain hands-on skills in vegetable and fruit production, small scale farming techniques, volunteer coordination and youth outreach through work at Forward Garden located at 7492 W. Old Sauk Road in the Town of Middleton, WI; and occasionally at member gardens.

Specific Duties and Responsibilities

- ❖ Field work to establish and maintain vegetable plots, including bed preparation, seeding, transplanting, weeding, watering, mulching, trellising, harvesting, post-harvest washing, and handling.
- ❖ Assist Farm Manager with all aspects of volunteer coordination, including demonstrating and overseeing gardening tasks and ensuring that safety protocols are followed.
- ❖ Help create a welcoming learning and work environment for youth groups and volunteers.
- ❖ Lead occasional youth groups in gardening activities and farm-related learning activities.
- ❖ Participate in creating and prioritizing a weekly task list for Forward Garden.
- ❖ Contribute content to weekly e-newsletter and social media including Facebook and Instagram.
- ❖ Participate in occasional evening and weekend work opportunities including farm tours, planning meetings and outreach events.
- ❖ You will be part of a team in the overall operation of the Food Pantry Gardens.

Desirable Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- ❖ Intern should have education and/or experience in agriculture, plant science, plant pathology, entomology, or horticulture-related field.
- ❖ Experience working with volunteers and familiarity with social media is highly desired
- ❖ Tractor and garden equipment training provided, but familiarity with small farm equipment preferred

Additional Requirements

- ❖ Applicant must be a current or continuing student
- ❖ Intern must be reliable and capable of occasionally working in inclement conditions. Some scheduling flexibility will be necessary due to weather.
- ❖ Students must have their own means of transportation to Forward Garden. Valid Driver's License required.

Position Details:

- ❖ Up to 35 hours/week for 12 weeks between May and September (start and end dates flexible). \$15.00 per hour.

To Apply, send resume to: Matt Lechmaier
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