Internship Opportunities
College of Agriculture
Auburn University

Internship opportunities are available for College of Agriculture students which give excellent on-the-job educational experiences. Internships provide a win-win type situation for both the student and the employer. Students have the ability to see what a particular line of employment might be like. Students are able to work for a quarter (usually during the Summer, but internships are possible throughout the year) with no future commitment to the employer. The student intern may discover that the work is something that he/she would love to do for the rest of his/her life. The student may discover, however, that the job he/she thought would be great is not at all like he/she expected.

From the employer's viewpoint, the internship provides the opportunity for a good look at potential full-time employees. If the employer discovers that the student does not fit the needs of the company, then employment will not be continued after the internship. From the positive side, the employer may see characteristics in an intern that are a perfect match for the future plans of the company. If so, a permanent job may be waiting for the student upon graduation.

Internships are available for students who are enrolled in all areas of the College of Agriculture. Selection for internship positions is typically on a competitive basis, with employers coming to campus to conduct interviews just as they would for full-time employment. Students who are selected will usually go through a short training program with the company and then be given a specific area of responsibility.

Academic credit is available for students who complete internship experiences. Up to four hours of elective credit is usually available for each internship to recognize the educational experience and knowledge that the student receives form the internship. Some students will have two or more internships during their tenure in college.

A list of a few of the many companies who have employed Auburn University College of Agriculture students as interns is as follows:
Alabama Agricultural Extension System,
Alabama Agricultural Statistics Service,
Alabama Farmers Cooperative,
American Cyanamid,
Auburn University,
Delta Pine Seed,
Dixie Ag,
Dow AgroSciences,
Farm Credit System,
Federal Reserve System,
FMC Corporation,
Ingram Farms,
Land O’ Lakes,
Liphra Tech,
Monsanto,
RaceTrac Petroleum,  
Roxell,  
Southern Progress Corp.,  
Southern United States Trade Association,  
Successful Money Management,  
Terra Agricultural Products,  
Tyson,  
United States Department of Agriculture,  
U.S. House of Representatives,  
U.S. Senate,  
Walt Disney World, and  
Weil Brothers Cotton.

It is not unusual for an internship to offer a student excellent financial reward and other benefits. One recent intern earned $2,400 per month, had unlimited use of a company vehicle, and traveled on expense account. He was basically able to work and live for three months and spend very little of his own money. In addition, the company indicated that he would have a position waiting for him when he graduated.

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