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## Watauga County Extension Intern

**Location:** Watauga County

**Program Area:** Agriculture and Natural Resources

**Immediate/Site Supervisor:** Kendra Phipps

**Other Mentors and Supervisors:** Jim Hamilton, Paige Patterson, and new 4-H Agent

### Position Description/ Responsibilities:

The intern will work with Extension staff (with some independent work) in a number of capacities:

- \*Assist livestock agent with field-based research & data collection
- \*Assist new 4-H agent with summer 4-H & ag/science related youth programming
- \*Assist horticulture agent & county extension director on master gardener activities (including greenhouse and demonstration garden management) & native medicinal plant management as needed
- \*Participate in collection/sampling and diagnostic practices for soil & plant fertility, insect, and disease management with landowners & farmers
- \*Create marketing materials &/or other media to promote programming with the Watauga County Center
- \*Participate in other customer-service oriented activities (managing phone calls, walk-ins, information requests, etc) as needed

### Preferred qualifications/previous coursework:

- Major or minor coursework in: general agriculture, horticulture, sustainable development (agroecology), natural resources and/or livestock science
- Flexibility and willingness to work outside and get hands dirty
- Willingness to work with youth

### Benefits/skills student will gain through this internship:

- Field-based research design and sampling protocols for a livestock forage project
- Production & management of landscape, vegetable, and native medicinal plants & crops in greenhouse, landscape, farm, and/or forested environments
- Youth facilitation skills
- Diagnostic practices for soil & plant fertility, insect, and disease management
- Marketing skills
- Customer-service skills

### Additional Information

The intern will work with agents, staff and other county agency personnel & partners at the Watauga County Agricultural Services center to get a well-rounded and diverse set of experiences.



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