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Nash County

County/Worksite Location: Nash County Cooperative Extension

Proposal/Program Area: 4-H

Project Title: 4-H Summer Leadership Intern

Immediate/ Site Supervisor: Sandy Hall, CED

Other mentors/supervisors:

Matt Stevens, Horticulture Agent
Maryanna Bennett, Row Crops
Kelsey Lichtenwalner, Livestock

4 Traci Dixon, CRD

Project summary and intended outcomes:

Intern will assist extension agent and staff with conducting the 4-H Summer Leadership Intern Program for teens and assist with day to day activities with conducting the 4-H Summer Intern Program. The Summer Intern Program is designed to teach youth ages 12 and older service learning opportunities that helps them gain employability skills and work experience to obtain a job as they get older. The NCSU intern will work with Extension Agent to teach workshops to prepare participant youth for summer internships, monitor youth progress, work alongside youth to improve in any skills they may need, as well as help build their skills in working together as a team. The NCSU intern will also assist agent in conducting summer workshops for youth ages 5 and older and may also be trained to teach hands on workshops to build leadership, citizenship as well as life skills for youth development.

In addition, the CES staff will mentor and provide an overview of their respective programs along with field work opportunities. Furthermore, our office manages the local Farmer's Market where we provide weekly educational programs for customers, therefore lending an opportunity for the intern to explore and learn the local foods economy and its worth to our community.





What qualifications and previous coursework does the student need in order to be prepared for this internship, if any?

Interns should be comfortable with teaching and workshop with youth of all ages and be able to understand the stages of youth development.

Interns should have an interest in teaching, coaching, mentoring youth and or program planning in the area of youth development. Previous work experience with youth is preferable but not necessary.

What benefits/skills will the student gain through this internship?

NCSU student will gain program planning skills, teaching skills, mentoring skills and the ability to better understand working with youth in a hands on learning experience environment. Other skills that students can gain through this experience is leadership, service to others, team building and effective program planning methods for working with youth as well as a greater understanding of the mission of NC Cooperative Extension, the work of extension and how it helps the citizens of Nash County alongside Nash County Government.