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## Cumberland County

**County/Worksite Location:** Cumberland County Cooperative Extension

**Proposal/Program Area:** 4-H

**Project Title:** Experiencing Youth Development

**Immediate/ Site Supervisor:** Lisa Childers

**Other mentors/supervisors:**  
1 Jessica Drake

### **Project summary and intended outcomes:**

The intern will have the opportunity to collaborate with all program areas in Cooperative Extension, with a main focus area of 4-H and Youth Development. The intern will gain experience in preparing, planning, and facilitating programs. S/he will also gain understanding and implementation practice of overall program evaluation and analysis. The student's experience will encompass a variety of youth development projects that will utilize their previous coursework and experience into a summer camp setting with various ages and stages. During the internship, s/he will work with at least three countywide summer programs utilizing a 4-H certified curricula, and assist with at least one project-based learning opportunity with youth on our military base. The intern will work alongside Extension professionals and accompany them on a number of assignments and professional development opportunities to gain experience.

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

The ideal candidate will have an interest and basic working knowledge of working with youth. Experience in working with a variety of ages and stages is a plus, but not a firm requirement. Candidates must be open and willing to work in a professional setting, adhering to office etiquette. They must be positive, dependable, organized, and a team player.



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

During the internship, the student will have unique opportunities to positively impact youths' lives. The position will allow exposure to different populations including the military. This internship opportunity will provide an invaluable opportunity to get an overview of county government, Extension, and the overall impact on programs within youth development. This will be a great resume builder for those interested in traditional teaching fields as well as Extension.