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Chatham County Extension Intern

Location: Chatham County

Program Area: 4-H Youth Development, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Family and Consumer Sciences, Community and Rural Development

Immediate/Site Supervisor: Ginger Cunningham

Other Mentors and Supervisors: Kaley Lawing, Liz Mauney, Matt Jones, Ashley Robbins, Kristina Britt, Debbie Roos, Tara Gregory

Position Description/Responsibilities:

The intern will have the ability to work with Extension professionals (4-H, Family and Consumer Sciences, and agriculture) to plan and implement educational programming for clientele within Chatham County.

While the intern will work primarily with the 4-H program to assist with youth programming during the summer months, the student will have the opportunity to assist in preparing, planning, and providing instruction for a variety of Extension events. Likewise, the intern will have the opportunity to participate in community conferences, advisory board meetings, and assist with volunteer trainings.

Please note, that due to COVID restrictions at this time, we anticipate much of this will be virtual/online-based work.

Overall, it is hoped that the by completing this internship experience, the student will be able to better explore career options within Extension as well as increasing their overall skill sets useful for future internships and employment. As such, the intern will have substantial practical work experience that should be viewed favorably by future employers.

Additional Information

While this intern will focus most of his/her time within the 4-H program, he/she will also spend considerable time with the various ag-based programs in Chatham, including horticulture, sustainable agriculture, dairy, livestock/equine, and forestry.

Preferred qualifications/previous coursework:

- Exceptional organizational and planning skills
- Experience working with volunteers and youth
- Possesses enthusiasm for learning
- Capable and committed to working with diverse populations
- Able to work flexible hours & remotely if/when needed

Benefits/skills student will gain through this internship:

- Better explore career options within Extension
- Increase overall skill sets useful for future employment
- Will be able to utilize skills learned within classroom settings, in conjunction with mentorship provided by Extension professionals, in real-world applications
- Experiential learning opportunities that cannot be gained solely through classroom instruction

