

Union County Extension Intern

Location: Union County

Program Area: 4-H Youth Development

Immediate/Site Supervisor: Crystal Starkes, 4-H Agent

Other Mentors and Supervisors: Leah Joyner, 4-H Program Assistant; Andrew Baucom, County Extension Director; Rachel Owens, Livestock Agent; Marcus McFarland, FCS Agent; Judith Garcia, EFNEP Program Associate; Aaron Moore, Small Farms Agent; Keith O'Herrin, Urban Forester

Position Description/Responsibilities:

The 4-H Program Assistant will work in collaboration with the 4-H Agent and other Cooperative Extension staff to create a holistic experience of a profession in youth, family, and community sciences. The intern will assist in facilitating youth programs and will be responsible for presenting a positive image of 4-H and its programs to the community, parents, and youth.

- Increase comfort level in the extension program
- Increase knowledge of extension
- Gain confidence in facilitating programs for various audiences
- Learn how to conduct hands-on educational activities for youth
- Create, implement, and evaluate hands-on activities for youth and families relating to physical activity and food demonstrations
- Increase Extension presence at community events and community partners
- Network with local Extension staff and supporting universities to bridge the connection between the county and state programming
- Gain knowledge in implementing weekly youth programs
- Compose articles, success stories, and marketing materials for 4-H

Preferred qualifications/previous coursework:

- Must enjoy working with all audiences including youth and volunteers.
- Must possess good communication skills - written and oral, have an outgoing personality, and be responsible.
- Intern must consent to a criminal and traffic background check.
- Must be able to work independently, driving may be required, must be able to work various weekends.

Benefits/skills student will gain through this internship:

This intern will gain skills in marketing, program development and implementation, evaluation, and reporting. This intern will also learn about work-life balance.

Additional Information

This intern will primarily work with developing and implementing the 4-H Summer Fun program.