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USDA Internship Graduate Students 2026

Description

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is offering an internship program for graduate students in 2026. This internship provides a unique opportunity to work on projects that contribute to the USDA's mission of ensuring a safe, sustainable, and nutritious food supply, as well as promoting environmental stewardship. Successful candidates will gain valuable experience working alongside professionals in various fields within the USDA.

Responsibilities

- Collaborate with USDA professionals on research projects, policy development, and program implementation.
- Conduct data analysis, literature reviews, and contribute to the formulation of recommendations.
- Assist in the development and implementation of outreach and communication strategies.
- Attend meetings, seminars, and workshops to enhance knowledge and skills in relevant areas.
- Contribute to the overall goals and objectives of the assigned department or agency

Qualifications

- Currently enrolled in a graduate program in agriculture, environmental science, public policy, nutrition, or a related field.
- Strong academic record and a genuine interest in contributing to USDA's mission.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
- Familiarity with agricultural policies, environmental regulations, or related subjects is a plus.

Experience

- Previous internship or work experience related to agriculture, environmental science, or public policy is preferred.
- Research experience and proficiency in data analysis tools are advantageous.

Skills

- Proficient in Microsoft Office suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint).
- Analytical thinking and problem-solving abilities.
- Strong organizational and time management skills.
- Effective interpersonal skills for collaboration with diverse teams.

Job Benefits

- Exposure to real-world challenges and projects within the USDA.
- Networking opportunities with professionals in various departments.

Hiring organization

USDA

Employment Type

Intern

Duration of employment

6 Month

Industry

Government Agency

Job Location

Washington, D.C., United States, 20001, Washington, D.C., United States

Working Hours

8

Base Salary

10

Date posted

April 3, 2026

Valid through

26.07.2028

- Professional development through workshops and seminars.
- Potential for future career opportunities within the USDA.
- Competitive stipend and potential for academic credit (dependent on university requirements).

How To Apply

Interested candidates should submit a resume, a cover letter outlining their interest and qualifications for the USDA Internship for Graduate Students, and a copy of their latest academic transcript. Applications can be sent with the subject line "USDA Internship Application."