



UNPAID INTERNSHIP: SEASON EXTENSION & PROPAGATION INTERN

Growing Hope encourages people of color and individuals who possess an in-depth understanding of poverty or economic hardship to apply. We welcome a diverse pool of applicants and make employment decisions on the basis of merit. We do not discriminate potential employees based on race, creed, age, physical ability, national origin, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation or marital status. Accommodations will be made so that the application process and position is made accessible for qualified applicants.

Positions Description:

This intern will gain a fundamental understanding of season extension, propagation, and plant care. Some of this internship will take place inside the Growing Hope hoop house helping to propagate seedlings for spring and summer plantings. The intern will build an intimate knowledge of what it takes to grow and care for seedlings at Growing Hope. Interns will learn about sustainable production of the various production styles at the Growing Hope Urban Farm including backyards garden and market garden. Additionally, the intern will learn about the broader context of the food system. Interns must be able to commit to showing up reliably regardless of weather, show up on time and stay for the duration of their shift. All interns will meet with our Program Director at the beginning of their internship to set specific learning goals and evaluation points.

Tasks Included:

- Propagation and greenhouse management
- Basic season extension techniques: use of cold frames, germination chambers, cold frames, row cover, etc.
- Learn to read and follow a crop plan for weekly seeding that leads to a bountiful weekly harvest

Qualifications

- Loves plants and being outside
- Detail orientated
- Sustain a fast pace of work for multiple hours
- Willing to work in rain or cold or heat
- Have reliable transportation to Growing Hope
- Can work independently
- Can maintain an organized clean workspace
- Have a passion for food justice and want to learn more.

Unpaid Availability: Winter Term: February 17th, 2020 for a minimum of 8 hour/week, for at least 12 weeks. Must be available during the following times: Tuesday and Thursdays 1- 6pm. Optional other times include Wednesdays 8am-5pm, Thursdays 8am-1pm, Fridays 10am-12pm or Saturdays 8am-1pm. Starting in March additional time can be scheduled weekdays 5-7pm, Saturday 4-6pm and Sundays 9-11 am or 4-6pm.

To apply: Please provide a list of relevant experience or resume and cover letter (1 page) that includes what you hope to gain during your internship, and what you think you could most contribute. Also include your desired hours and schedule availability. Please send these documents to apply@growinghope.net. Applications accepted until filled for the winter term. No formal education is required for this position.