Intern with ASAP this Summer or Fall

Support Your Local Food Movement. Change Your Food System.





Intern with ASAP (Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project) and be a part of our work to localize our food system and help local farms thrive.

Part-time internships and volunteer opportunities are available for current students and graduates, and are a great match for those studying (or interested in) education, sustainable agriculture, health and wellness, event management, research, photography, media and communications, and more!

To apply for an internship with ASAP: email a resume, cover letter, and two references or letters of recommendation to internships@asapconnections.org. Please note which internship(s) you are applying for. You may apply for more than one position. All positions are part-time and unpaid, and can be applied towards academic credit. Applicants must currently reside in Western North Carolina, or plan to live in the area prior to the start of the internship.

Visit us at <u>asapconnections.org/support-local-food-movement/internships/</u> for a detailed list of seasonal positions, or contact us to learn more.

We are currently hiring the following summer and fall positions:

- Healthy Eating in Practice Conference Intern (summer)
- Photography Intern (summer, fall)
- Communications Intern (summer, fall)
- Local Food Promotions Intern (summer, fall)
- Growing Minds Farm to School Intern (fall)

The mission of ASAP is to help local farms thrive, link farmers to markets and supporters, and build healthy communities through connections to local food. ASAP is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

2018 ASAP Internship Descriptions:

Healthy Eating in Practice Conference Intern

20 hours weekly, May through August (with additional hours over conference dates)

The Conference Intern will assist ASAP in planning and producing Healthy Eating in Practice, a national conference for practitioners, researchers, and influencers to empower the practice of healthcare to support healthy eating. Responsibilities will include supporting the registration process; logistical coordination with venue, catering, and AV partners; updating the conference website; editing print materials; and serving as a point person over the conference dates. This internship is best suited for someone with event experience who is interested in local food and its connection to health.

Qualifications Required:

- Availability to work the conference dates, August 26-29, 2018
- High attention to detail
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Ability to think quickly and solve problems
- Computer proficient, particularly with Google Suite and WordPress
- Experience in event coordination is a plus, but not required

Photography Intern (flexible start date)

8-12 hours weekly, summer and fall positions open

The photography intern will work with ASAP's communications team to document farms and farmers in Western North Carolina, photograph ASAP events, and assist with photo editing and management of ASAP's picture database. ASAP maintains an extensive digital photographic library of farmers, tailgate markets, and events. We often use portrait, event, and artistic photography for brochures, websites, and displays. This internship is an excellent opportunity to practice your craft and hone your skills. The photography intern will have the opportunity to build a portfolio of farm related images, gain experience with scheduling and executing photography assignments, and play a part in changing the local food system. He or she may also have the opportunity to work on or suggest special projects, as well as exhibit images.

Qualifications required:

- Advanced student in photography with teacher recommendation or 5 years experience in the field
- Photoshop retouching skills
- Excellent oral communication skills
- Good organizational and photo management skills
- Valid driver's license and reliable transportation for travel within 100 miles of Asheville
- Interest in and dedication to promoting local food

^{*}To apply for this internship, send a cover letter, resume, and two letters of recommendation to Sarah Hart, Program Coordinator at sarah@asapconnections.org, by May 1, 2018.

^{*}Photography applicants are asked to submit photography samples with their application.

Communications Intern

10-12 hours weekly, summer and fall positions open

The Communications intern will work with ASAP's events and communications team to lead and assist with a wide variety of media projects. Potential activities include attending and documenting farmers tailgate markets and ASAP or community events; photo and video production and editing; producing and editing press releases, blogs, and other written material; leading social media projects; and assisting with website management, data entry, and media archiving. Interns are able to tailor their internship to their specific interests and talents in the area of communications.

Qualifications Required:

- Passionate about field of communications/media
- Strong written and oral communication skills, creative communicator
- Highly detail-oriented and organized
- Interest in and dedication to promoting local food
- Valid driver's license and transportation
- Photography and video experience a plus
- Photoshop and InDesign experience helpful

Local Food Promotions Intern

10-12 hours weekly, summer and fall openings

The Local Food Promotions intern will support the operations of ASAP's Local Food Campaign. Intern activities may support the following program areas:

- **Appalachian Grown program -** conducting outreach to local farms and businesses, management of new certifications, product inventories, and material distribution.
- **Asheville City Farmers Market** assisting with general market operations, special events, and promotions. Great for individuals interested in learning how farmers markets operate.
- ASAP's Farm Tour assisting with ASAP's biggest event of the year to connect the general public with local farms in Western North Carolina. Activities may include communications, outreach, material distribution, assistance at farmer trainings, event support, and evaluation.
- Additional intern responsibilities may include research and administrative tasks, tabling at
 community events and farmer's markets, assisting with ASAP's Local Food Experience
 fundraiser, supporting initiatives at regional farmers markets, and assisting with general ASAP
 operations.

Qualifications required:

- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Detail oriented and organized
- Proficient in Microsoft Office and Google Drive
- Valid driver's license and reliable transportation
- Preferred office or administrative experience
- Photography skills a plus

Growing Minds Farm to School

10-15 hours weekly, must be available from 8am-3pm on one day a week (possibly Thursdays or Fridays)

The Growing Minds Intern will assist in ASAP's Farm to School program by leading local food cafeteria taste tests in Burke County Public Schools. Cafeteria taste tests are events where students are offered small samples of local foods during school lunch hours in the cafeteria. Taste test duties may include shopping for local produce (may require farmer's market trips on Saturdays), packing, prepping and clean-up from taste testing events. This position will require training other interns and/or volunteers to assist with taste tests (including high school students). Additional hours needed for various project needs which may include but not limited to assisting with teacher trainings, presentations, project events, creating surveys and collecting data. If interested, this position may provide opportunities to work on additional projects including farm to preschool.

Qualifications Required:

- Experience working with children
- Excellent written and oral communication skills; including the ability to talk to children and get them excited about trying new local foods
- Availability from 8am-3pm on one day a week (possibly Thursday or Fridays)
- Valid driver's license and transportation to Burke County Public Schools

Note: a background check will be performed for all Growing Mind Interns

Learn more about ASAP Internships at

http://asapconnections.org/support-local-food-movement/internships/.