Williams Farm Internship

Located just two miles from downtown Athens, the Williams Farm is an oasis in the city where Athens Land Trust staff, community members, and volunteers work together to steward the land and provide educational opportunities. We grow a variety of vegetables, medicinal and culinary herbs, and flowers for our weekly farmers markets, CSA program, and for donations to local food banks and soup kitchens.

The Williams Farm is part of Athens Land Trust’s Community Agriculture Program, which is committed to neighborhood revitalization by developing a sustainable local food system in some of Athens’ most food insecure communities, strengthening the local economy and building unity and wellness at the community level.

The Williams Farm project has a three-part mission:

- Grow and market affordable food products to the residents and businesses in the community, utilizing organic and sustainable production methods and generating self-sustaining income
- Serve as a model whereby the community will be able to learn about the importance of sustainable farming, healthy diets, and the value of smart and equitable land use.
- Provide employment and skill-building opportunities to at-risk youth and low-income people, while contributing to the local economy

What we are looking for:
We are looking for individuals who are interested in learning about how to make their community a better place by becoming a part of the local food movement. Applicants should have a willingness to learn, be hardworking, flexible, positive, and possess an interest in sustainable farming.
The Work:

Williams Farm interns will have the opportunity to participate in all aspects of farm work, including: planting, harvesting, post-harvest processing, pest & weed management, irrigation, and soil preparation. Ideally, candidates will be able to commit to a two-month term of service. Start dates, internship duration and weekly hours can be flexible according to the candidate’s schedule and the needs of the farm. Interns are asked to join us for at least 4 hours of farm work each week.

This is an unpaid internship opportunity. However, you will receive extensive educational opportunities, real-world experience and the satisfaction of contributing to your local community!

To apply for this position, please email Seth Nivens: seth@athenslandtrust.org. Please include a brief bio and why you think you would be a great candidate.

West Broad Garden Internship

Athens Land Trust is a local non-profit organization that focuses on conserving, empowering, and sustaining communities through responsible and visionary land use. We are looking for aspiring farmers who are passionate about making their community a better place by becoming a part of the local sustainable food movement. Applicants should have a willingness to learn, be hardworking, flexible, positive, possess an interest in natural production farming and community outreach.

Job Responsibilities:

Farm work will include planting, harvesting, competition control, pest management, watering, pruning, compost management, amending, washing produce, assisting at farmers markets, working with volunteers and educational programming.

Interns will also contribute to the West Broad Farmers Market which is a community-driven, education-oriented, weekly farmers market that supports local economic development & community wellness. This work would include weekly set up and break down of the market, contributing to educational programming and assisting in the growth of this unique market.

Ideally candidates would be able to commit to a full season (April-July, July-Oct, Oct-Jan, Jan-April). Start dates, duration, hours and weekly schedules can be flexible according to interns schedule and the needs of the farm. Interns are expected to work at least 10 hours a week and should be available mornings and weekends.
This is an unpaid internship opportunity. You will however receive extensive educational opportunities, real world experience and the satisfaction of greatly contributing to your local community!

If you are interested applying for this position email Cameron Teeter, cameron@athenslandtrust.org. Please include a brief bio and why you think you would be a great candidate.

Community Agriculture Marketing Internship

Athens Land Trust is a local non-profit organization that focuses on conserving, empowering, and sustaining communities through responsible and visionary land use. We are looking for a motivated individual to aid in the marketing and promotion of the events and services offered through our Community Agriculture Program. The Marketing Intern will play an integral role in reaching new customers, clients, and community partners. The Marketing Intern will work closely with the Farmer Outreach Coordinator and the West Broad Farmers Market Coordinator to design and implement marketing and outreach plans for the West Broad Farmers Market, the Farm Share Program, the Mobile Market project, and farmer outreach workshops. They will also aid in the development of promotional and marketing content for the Community Agriculture Program.

Job Duties:

- Develop and implement a marketing plan for the West Broad Farmers Market, the Mobile Market project, and the Farm Share project
- Create and distribute marketing materials
- Aid in the promotion of large scale events such as: farmer business development workshops, sustainable agriculture conferences, and special farmers market events.
- Create and manage social media content to promote Community Agriculture projects and initiatives
- Review analytics on social media and adapt content strategy to improve engagement
- Schedule advertisements and events in newspapers and online event platforms.
- Partnership development and relationship building with community members, community organizations, and local business and institutions to build community awareness about the programs and services of the Community Agriculture Program of Athens Land Trust.

Scheduling and hours for this position are flexible, and we are happy to work around your class and work schedules. Outside of weekly meetings with your supervisor you will be free to create your own schedule and perform remote work.

This is an unpaid internship opportunity. You will however receive extensive educational opportunities, real world experience and the satisfaction of greatly contributing to your local community!
If you are interested applying for this position email Travis Williams travis@athenslandtrust.org. Please include a brief bio and why you think you would be a great candidate.

Farm Business Support Internship

Athens Land Trust is a local non-profit organization that focuses on conserving, empowering, and sustaining communities through responsible and visionary land use.

We are looking for motivated, hard-working, and driven individuals to assist our efforts to develop farm businesses by providing vital information to new, beginning, underserved and socially disadvantaged farmers about Farm Service Agency (FSA) programs, best business practices, financial management, and strategies for creating viable and stable agricultural enterprises.

Ideal candidates will have:

- An interest or background in Agricultural Communication, Community Outreach, Business Development, Sustainable Agriculture, or another related field
- Strong written and verbal communication skills
- Strong organizational skills
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite
- Familiarity with popular social media platforms
- The ability to work with diverse communities

Interns will assist with:

- Education and outreach about Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) Certifications
- Food Safety Education
- Farm-Business Planning and Best Practices
  - Focusing on topics like effective record keeping strategies
- Education in Sustainable Agricultural Practices
  - Including topics such as: crop rotation, Organic standards, IPM etc.
- Preparing and presenting Informational workshops for farmers and their families
- Facilitating 1:1 consultations about the topics listed above
- Creating social media content to advertise and market workshops to local farmers
- Marketing and outreach to promote attendance at educational workshops
  - Assist in designing fliers and brochures, publishing advertisements in local newspapers, reaching out to local radio stations, and any other methods that will help increase workshop attendance.
This is an unpaid internship opportunity. You will however receive extensive educational opportunities, real world experience and the satisfaction of greatly contributing to your local community!

If you are interested applying for this position email Travis Williams, travis@athenslandtrust.org. Please include a brief bio and why you think you would be a great candidate.

**West Broad Farmers Market Internships**

We are accepting applications for several positions at the West Broad Farmers Market. Applicants should have a willingness to learn, be hardworking, flexible, and positive.

West Broad Farmers Market Internship opportunities:

- Marketing & Market Awareness Intern
- Youth Programs Intern
- Vendor Development Intern
- Community Outreach Intern
- Entertainment and Activities Intern

Scheduling and hours for these positions on weekdays are flexible, and we are happy to work around your class and work schedules. These positions do, however, require interns to be in attendance at the West Broad Farmers Market every Saturday.

These are all unpaid internship opportunities. You will however receive extensive educational opportunities, real world experience and the satisfaction of greatly contributing to your local community!

If you are interested in applying for any of the positions listed above, please contact WBFM@athenslandtrust.org or 706-613-0122.