

**Internship Descriptions - Summer 2023**

Michigan State University Extension will offer paid 2023 summer internship opportunities for high achieving undergraduates. The intent of this program is to expose students to Extension career opportunities, to develop student’s career-based portfolio skills and to support the work of Extension Educators and Specialists. Selected individuals will have the opportunity to work with multiple Extension Educators and Specialists in multiple topic areas during the summer experience. Summer 2023 opportunities exist in multiple Michigan geographic areas.

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<p>1 - Detroit Partnership for Food, Learning, &amp; Innovation Intern app.joinhandshake.com/jobs/7411768</p> <p>Work with the Detroit Partnership for Food, Learning, and Innovation (DPFLI) with scaling up fruit, nut, and vegetable production, as well as participate in at least one of the following research topics: soil management, fruit crop management or community nutrition. Other activities may include farm support activities, as well as leading educational programs for visitors.</p>	<p>Naim Edwards edwar649@msu.edu 717-364-2378</p>	<p>Detroit Partnership for Food, Learning and Innovation; 16745 Lamphere St. Detroit, MI</p>
<p>2 - 4-H Animal Events Intern app.joinhandshake.com/ jobs/7431943</p> <p>Assist 4-H Extension professionals with statewide 4-H animal science event coordination and program delivery and evaluation. Example events include: the State 4-H Goat Show, 4-H Exploration Days, 4-H Animal and Veterinary Science Camp, the 4-H/FFA State Livestock Judging Contest, Michigan 4-H Youth Dairy Days, State 4-H Dog Show, and State 4-H Horse Show.</p>	<p>Autumn Converse conver20@msu.edu 517-432-1626 Melissa Elischer elischer@msu.edu 517-432-4306</p>	<p>MSU Anthony Hall, 474 S Shaw Ln. East Lansing, MI</p>
<p>3 - Apple Community Education Initiative Intern app.joinhandshake.com/jobs/7431978</p> <p>Assist with educational opportunities offered to youth participants from underserved communities to explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) as a part of the Apple Community Education Initiative, which includes camps and club activities in the Southeast Michigan counties of Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne.</p>	<p>Kathy Jamieson jamies13@msu.edu 586-306-3544 (c) 586-469-6093 (w)</p>	<p>Macomb County Extension Office; 21885 Dunham Rd. Clinton Township, MI</p>
<p>4 - Pollinator Education Intern app.joinhandshake.com/jobs/7432172</p> <p>Support MSU Extension efforts related to beekeeping/pollinator workshops, presentations, fairs and other events, including the Beepalooza fair. Activities may range from assisting with supplies and materials, to photography/videography, to providing pollinator education to participants.</p>	<p>Ana Heck heckanar@msu.edu 517-884-7976</p>	<p>MSU Pollinator Performance Center, 4090 College Rd. East Lansing, MI</p>
<p>5 - Horticulture Education and Research Intern (may be multiple interns) app.joinhandshake.com/jobs/7432210</p> <p>Work with Researchers and Extension professionals at the Southwest Michigan Research and Extension Center. Current topical areas include viticulture, vegetables, and/or tree fruit.</p>	<p>Michael Reinke reinkem3@msu.edu 269-944-1477 x 210 Ben Phillips benp@msu.edu 269-944-1477 x 207 Bill Shane shane@msu.edu 269-944-1477 x 205</p>	<p>Southwest Michigan Research and Extension Center 1791 Hillandale Rd. Benton Harbor, MI</p>
<p>6 - Online Trainings for Small Animal Farms Intern app.joinhandshake.com/ jobs/7432537</p> <p>Work with Extension professionals and Dept. of Animal Science faculty/staff to develop Desire 2 Learn (D2L) online trainings for small sized animal farms.</p>	<p>Katie Ockert ockertka@msu.edu 616-527-5357</p>	<p>Ionia County Extension Office 101 W. Main St. Ionia, MI; remote option</p>
<p>7 - Sustainable Agriculture Intern (On-site dormitory style housing available free of charge) app.joinhandshake.com/jobs/7432593</p> <p>Work with research and Extension professionals at the Upper Peninsula Research and Extension Center to assist with sustainable agriculture projects. Topics range from beef cattle, field crops, and forage/vegetable production.</p>	<p>James DeDecker dedecke5@msu.edu 989-225-3221</p>	<p>MSU Upper Peninsula Research and Extension Center, E3774 University Dr. Chatham, MI</p>

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<p>8 - Environmental Assessment and Restoration Intern app.joinhandshake.com/jobs/7432684</p> <p>Work with other students, as well as research and Extension professionals at the Corey Marsh Ecological Research Center on natural resources-related topics. Example activities include surveys and species inventories on birds, frogs, turtles and deer, as well as participating in educational opportunities highlighting these species for visitors.</p>	<p>Jen Owen owenj@msu.edu 517-432-4264 Alexa Warwick awarwick@msu.edu</p>	<p>Corey Marsh Ecological Research Center, 9422 Herbison Rd. Laingsburg, MI</p>
<p>9 - 4-H Exploration Days Intern app.joinhandshake.com/jobs/7432771</p> <p>Support planning and implementation efforts for MSU Extension's 4-H Exploration Days, which is a large-scale event that invites over 1000 students to campus. There will be additional opportunities to engage with 4-H programming in the last half of the internship as the event is June 21-23, 2023</p>	<p>Laura Potter Niesen potterla@msu.edu 517-432-2963</p>	<p>Morill Hall of Agriculture 446 W. Circle Dr. East Lansing, MI</p>
<p>10 - Regenerative Agriculture Intern app.joinhandshake.com/jobs/7432854</p> <p>Support research and Extension activities at the Lake City Research Center, which includes statewide activities. Specifically, the intern will be trained on various tools to evaluate the impact of grazing and management decisions on various ecosystems processes. The interns will then be expected to participate in conducting these evaluations at various producer farms across the state.</p>	<p>Matt Raven mraven@msu.edu 517-432-0293</p>	<p>Lake City Research Center 5401 Jennings Rd. Lake City, MI</p>

### Expectations and Eligibility

Interns will be matched with an Extension Educator and Specialist team that will utilize the student's academic preparations to further develop essential career skills. During the internship experience, students work full-time on a substantive faculty-guided project, demonstrations, workshops and participate in professional development activities, including attending seminars and completing periodic writing assignments. Due to the intensive nature of this program, it is expected that students will not enroll in summer coursework or accept other employment during the work week. Taking (1) online course up to 4 credits during the summer would be acceptable. Students may opt to enroll for academic credit in ANR 493 (3 credits) or an appropriate XXX 493 or XXX 293; the student is responsible for any tuition and enrollment fees. Regardless of academic enrollment, all interns will complete the same academic intern reporting including time sheets, weekly reports, mid-internship report and evaluation, final evaluation, and final internship poster. Applicants must meet all the following criteria:

- Is a current MSU or NC A&T undergraduate student thru August 2023,
- Preferably is returning for one or more semesters of undergraduate study after Summer 2023 (i.e., not graduating before December 2023),
- Is eligible for employment in the USA; international students must obtain an appropriate visa,
- Cumulative GPA of 3.00 (on a 4.0 scale),
- Able to commit to full-time employment during the 12-week summer program,
- Have access to reliable transportation, and
- Will be at least 18 years old by May 1, 2023.

### Compensation, Housing, Travel, and Other Relevant Information

Students participating in the MSUE internship program are paid \$15.00 per hour and typically work 40 hours per week for up to 12 weeks. Participants are employees of MSU and are responsible for applicable taxes. \$1,000 will also be provided for operating expenses and business travel; many internship hosts have additional funds available to support programmatic travel. Students are responsible for their own housing unless specified otherwise. In some cases, housing at no-cost is available at MSU Research and Extension Centers. For those travelling from out of state or looking at other internship opportunities, there may be support to cover housing costs. It is expected that applicants will have a housing option in proximity of their area of choice. Multiple Michigan geographic regions are available. The start/end dates of the internship are flexible depending on the need of the Extension professional and the schedule of the student. In general, internships will start, May 15, 2023, and end August 4, 2023.

### Application Timeline

The application process is open until a suitable candidate has been selected. All positions will close on April 15 regardless of status. Review begins immediately after application. Please apply early.

### Application

Handshake - cover letter, resume and unofficial transcript - Position ID in the table above.

### Questions

If you have questions about the internship process or timeline, please contact Dr. Luke Reese, reesel@msu.edu or 517-353-3258 or Josh Gunn, gunnjosh@msu.edu or 517-355-2361. If you have questions about a specific internship, please view the listing on Handshake or contact the internship coordinator listed in the table above.