

JOB DESCRIPTION

SUMMER FARM PROGRAM INTERN

Status: Seasonal
Starting Salary: \$13.50/hour; 20 hours/week (Flexible Scheduling Available)
Reports To: Historic Farm & History Specialist
Classification: Intern

The Farm Program internship provides participants hands-on experience planning, developing and implementing educational programs for children, adults and families. These programs involve indoor and outdoor programming at Carter Historic Farm, a Great Depression farm site. The internship may also provide experience with museum collections management, including cataloging objects and adding them to collections management software.

The position of summer farm program intern directly involves but is not limited to the following illustrative duties:

1. Learns the history of Carter Historic Farm, the Zimmerman Schoolhouse, the Black Swamp, and farming during the Great Depression in order to deliver informal interpretation to farm visitors
2. Assists the historic farm & history specialist with development, facilitation, set up, and clean-up of special events (i.e. Farm Fest and Farm Camps).
3. Works with the Historic Farm and History Specialist to develop and implement a project of their own choosing that will benefit Carter Historic Farm. This can be collections work, developing interpretive guides, restoring equipment, creating costuming, etc.
4. Responsible for keeping a journal of activities throughout the summer.
5. Helps to care for the livestock and gardens on site, works alongside both staff and volunteers.
6. Required to routinely lift up to 50 lbs. which may include feed, hay bales, and equipment, etc.

Requirements:

Students must have completed their sophomore year and be enrolled in a bachelor's or master's degree program at a college or university during the internship, or have just graduated in the spring of 2023. Their course of study should be in history, education, agriculture, animal science, or some other related field. Ideal candidates show creativity, energy, and an enthusiasm for presenting history to the public, and have a demonstrated ability to communicate with a wide variety of audiences. Must be able to work collaboratively in groups and to self-direct independently. Must be able to climb stairs and ladders, reach objects overhead, and work outdoors and in non-climate-controlled buildings. Must have a valid driver's license.

Preferred:

Historical knowledge of northwest Ohio (especially Wood County), mid nineteenth century through the Depression-era, specifically as it relates to family farming. Experience in a living history environment. Must be team oriented and willing to work to build an atmosphere of teamwork in the workplace with staff at all levels.