



Animal Science Extension Internship

Student will work in a dynamic environment to design and support hands-on learning experiences for youth and 4-H Agents. The Extension Animal Science Intern will shadow the 4-H Livestock Specialist in a variety of settings from workshops, trainings, 4-H University Livestock Judging Contest, LSU AgCenter State Horse Show, LOST Camp, etc. The intern will have the opportunity to assist with data collection and routine care of livestock animals used for teaching and research. The selected individual may have the opportunity to work with other animal science specialists within the LSU AgCenter and LSU School of Animal Sciences. This experience is intended to give interns an opportunity to experience the non-formal education world of Extension.

Qualifications:

1. Minimum qualifications: Rising juniors and seniors from LSU and partner institutions majoring in Agriculture or a related field with at least a 2.5 GPA are most competitive. Second-year students with a minimum 2.5 GPA are also eligible and encouraged to apply. Desire to work with youth.
 2. Preferred qualifications: Desire to serve others and interest in people; ability to lead, teach and motivate effectively; experience with volunteers and youth; experience working with youth and volunteers; good organization and planning skills demonstrating effective project coordination; strong oral and written communication skills.
 3. Physical qualifications: Have reliable transportation; ability to work some weekends; ability to work at night.
- **Primary Contact/Advisor:** Tyler Braud, 4-H Livestock Specialist 229E Animal and Food Sciences Lab Bldg. 225-578-5426

Location: LSU- Baton Rouge

Maximum Interns Needed: 1

Tasks may include:

- Participate in field trips related to 4-H Youth Development.
- Submit a one page resume.
- Meet with mentor for a customized internship plan.



- Identify customized internship goals with mentor.
- Attend at least four different types of meetings and analyze the leadership practices utilized within the meetings.
- Observe the mentor in three different types of settings and analyze the interactions.
- Attend professional development opportunities with mentor as they arise.
- Present an educational program to a group of 4-H members.
- Attend and assist with 4-H Day at the Capitol.
- Make preparations for the 4-H Livestock Judging Contest and assist with execution of the contest.
- Coordinate and make preparations for educational contests held at the State 4-H Horse Show.
- Make preparations for LOST Camp.
- Serve as an instructor for the animal science track at LOST Camp.
- Prepare for and meet weekly with the mentor on accomplishments, what has been learned, where they need help, and future plans.
- Conduct presentation on internship experience at the conclusion of the internship.
- Modify resume based on internship experience.
- Complete exit interview with mentor.

Success Measures:

- Interns will frequently meet with mentor for a brief evaluation of their internship experience. During the evaluation, interns will discuss what they have accomplished, identify where they need assistance, share future plans, and reflect upon the overall experience.
- Extension service personnel interaction report, media releases, educational program presentation, volunteer recruitment, and stakeholder interviews.
- Mentor will evaluate the intern's performance based on pre-determined criteria.

Expected Outcomes:

- Intern will learn to create, implement, and evaluate extension programs related to animal science.