



HIGH COUNTRY CONSERVATION CENTER

High Country Conservation Center- Sustainable Food Internship- 2024

Job Title: Sustainable Food Intern

Job Type: Part-time, seasonal internship with hands-on farm work and training in organic food production

Hours: 8-12 hrs/wk, ~130-160 hours for the season

Start/End Dates: Flexible; early-mid June through September; hours must be completed by October 15.

Location: Dillon and Frisco, Summit County, Colorado, elevation 9,000'

Program Summary

The High Country Conservation Center (HC3) is a community non-profit organization that promotes resource conservation in Summit County, CO. Programs include recycling and composting, climate action, energy conservation, water conservation, and sustainable food production. Food programs include: the Summit CSA (community supported agriculture), an urban farm specializing in organic food production; Grow to Share (GTS), a food donation program that minimizes food waste and provides produce and nutrition education to qualifying families; and community gardens, which offer resources for community members to grow their own food.

Training and Responsibilities

We're looking for enthusiastic and motivated interns who want to gain hands-on experience as organic growers and sustainable food entrepreneurs through programs that build and nourish our community. Interns will report to and work directly with the farmer to complete the day-to-day operations of the CSA and GTS programs. Interns must also participate in two greenhouse opening and/or closing shifts per week.

Qualifications

- Strong interest in environmental stewardship, sustainable agriculture, or local food production/systems.
- Enrolled in an accredited education program.
- Previous gardening, greenhouse, restaurant or culinary experience is desired but not required.
- Strong communication skills and willingness to ask questions.
- Enjoy working outside with the ability to work in challenging weather conditions.
- Must be able to work early mornings, stand for prolonged periods, and perform repetitive tasks.
- Must be able to lift/carry 40 pounds.
- Must be reliable and punctual.
- Valid drivers license preferred; reliable transportation to get to work on time is a must.

Position Information & Compensation

We allow flexibility for other jobs and class schedules. 30-60 hours of the internship commitment will be a work share. After successful completion of remaining hours, interns will receive a contracted stipend for their work. This stipend will be set prior to the start date. We require an intern memorandum of understanding (contract) upon hire. The intern is not an employee of HC3.

Application Requirements

Send a cover letter highlighting sustainable food interests and résumé to Kyla at kyla.laplante@gmail.com.

Application Deadline: April 8, 2024

Website for More Information: www.highcountryconservation.org