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New Hanover County Extension Intern

Location: New Hanover County

Program Area: 4-H Youth Development,Agriculture and Natural Resources,Family and Consumer Sciences

Immediate/Site Supervisor: Gabriella DeSouza

Other Mentors and Supervisors: Amy Mead, Cecilia Tadt, Alison Mattocks

Position Description/Responsibilities:

Seeking a motivated summer intern to assist in our Extension Plant Clinic and support our community education programs. This hands-on internship provides experience in horticulture, educational programming, and community outreach:

Duties will include:

- Assisting in our on-site Plant Clinic to support Master Gardener volunteers and the public with Horticulture related questions
- Working to update our Hortis plant database for the NHC Arboretum gardens
- Assisting with 4-H summer camps and activities
- Managing summer Donation Station booth at local Farmers' Market

Preferred qualifications/previous coursework:

- Interest in horticulture, non-formal education, Extension, or related fields
- Organized and detail-oriented
- Comfortable interacting with the public and youth
- Able to work independently and complete a defined project
- Strong communication skills (written and verbal)
- Reliable, professional, and eager to learn in a community education setting

Benefits/skills student will gain through this internship:

- hands-on experience in horticulture education, public outreach, and program support within a Cooperative Extension setting
- skills in educational program design, community engagement, and event coordination
- exposure to applied plant science, GIS or mapping tools, and youth programming through 4-H and Arboretum activities
- build practical communication, project management, and teamwork skills applicable to careers in horticulture, Extension, natural resources, or related fields.

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