



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Location: USC Canada, Ottawa

Position: Research & Public Engagement Internship

Main Areas of Responsibility:

Under the supervision of his/her supervisor, the intern will be mainly responsible for researching, collecting, and organizing information on sustainable agriculture and will assist with Public Engagement tasks. Specifically, he/she will:

- Conduct research on the state of agriculture, seeds and climate change around the world.
- Maintain our reference documents database and prepare short resumes of key documents or issues as determined by the supervisor.
- Create and maintain a database of statistics on food sovereignty & ecological agriculture.
- Assist in generating lists of key resources and food actions citizens can take.
- Participate in maintaining new social media tracking mechanisms.
- Help with the coordination of special events (Seedy Saturdays/Sundays and Reel Food Film Festival).
- Hold kiosks and attend a few events
- Attend team meetings.
- Other related tasks.

Note: *Some tasks may vary based on the selected candidate's skills, interests and professional goals.*

Requirements

- Excellent research and documentation skills.
- Self-directed person with strong writing and analysis skills.
- Strong organizational skills and ability to organize and present information in a user-friendly manner.
- Keen interest or experience in ecological agriculture, food sovereignty and international social justice.
- Experience in creating or managing websites or databases is an asset.
- Experience in using graphic-based programs (ex.: In-Design) a definite asset.
- Experience in communication and new social media an asset.
- Share USC Canada's mission and values.

Internship Conditions

- Length : Mid-Jan to end of March (flexible).
- 15-18 hours/week over 3 days.
- Unpaid internship.

Please send your resumé and cover letter to: jlaforge@usc-canada.org before **December 22, 2011 at 5 p.m.** *Only the selected candidates will be contacted.*

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