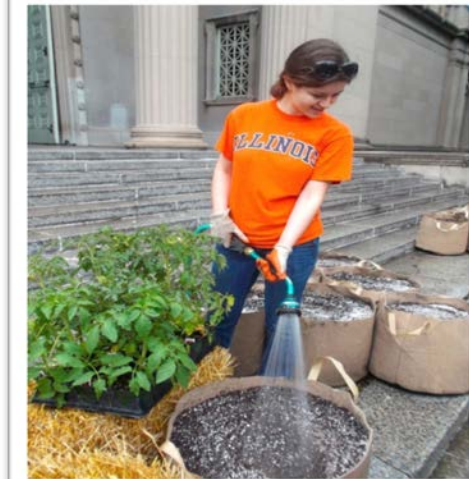


# ACES Applied Research Summer 2019 Internships

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# ACES Applied Research Summer 2019 Internship Program



If you are a current sophomore or junior for the academic year of 2018-2019, you are strongly encouraged to apply! The ACES Applied Research Internship Program will be offered at the Dixon Springs Agricultural Center and on the Urbana-Champaign campus of the University of Illinois.

## 2019 Request for Applications



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## KEY DATES

**March 1<sup>st</sup>** Deadline to submit the Internship Program application materials to the Office of Academic Programs, no later than 5 pm Central time.

**March 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>** In-person interviews

**March 25<sup>th</sup>** Selected interns will be notified

**April 8<sup>th</sup>** Selected interns need to accept/decline the offer

## About ACES Applied Research Internship Program

The ACES Applied Research Internship Program is a 10-week program open to current sophomores and juniors with overall GPAs of 3.00 or above. This internship program started in the summer of 2008 with five student interns from the Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences (NRES) and Animal Science (AS) Departments under the sponsorship of the College of ACES Office of Research (OR), in conjunction with its Office of Academic Affairs. In 2018, the Office of Academic Programs took over management of the program and placed 18 students into ACES Applied Research Internships.

The Internship Program gives ACES undergraduates a hands-on learning experience that focuses on all stages of research.

Each research student intern is assigned a faculty mentor and an advisor. Before the program begins, meetings should be held with your faculty mentor to develop a research project. Steps include defining the hypothesis and objectives, designing the experiment, specifying the protocol, analyzing the data, making a budget, and identifying other project requirements. Students must understand they will be working in a team environment and success in the program depends greatly on how they apply their team building skills.

Halfway through the program, students report on the progress of their research. At the end of the program, each intern will present their research results.

The Program is open to any ACES sophomore or junior with an overall GPA of 3.00 who is enrolled in the spring semester preceding the program but not enrolled in any classes for the summer sessions.

### Program Coordinator:

**Nick Wherley**

**Office of Academic Programs**

**(217) 333-3380**

**[wherley@illinois.edu](mailto:wherley@illinois.edu)**



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## ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must conform to the following eligibility requirements in order to apply.

Applicants must be/have:

- **Current sophomore or junior status for the academic year 2018-2019, with an overall GPA of 3.00 or above, graduating no earlier than May of 2020 from the College of ACES.**
- **Enrolled in the 2019 spring semester but not in the 2019 summer sessions.**

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

### Term of Internship

Internships will last a total of ten weeks, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 through close of business August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019.

### Compensation

You will be paid an hourly wage of \$12 on a bi-weekly basis. Total compensation will not exceed [\$4800] (gross) for the service period. As a student intern, you will work 40 hours per week, which could include nights, holidays, and weekends.

### Academic Credit

This is contingent on your successful completion of the internship, which includes a research course within your respective department in fall 2019. To determine eligibility for college credit, please speak with your academic advisor.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

For full consideration please submit: two professional letters of recommendation, your resume, a cover letter, and the following application, to the ACES Office of Academic Programs with ATTENTION to:

**Mr. Rob Chappell**  
128 Mumford Hall, MC-710  
1301 W. Gregory Dr.  
Urbana, IL 61801

*Application and required materials need to be submitted by 5:00 PM (CST) on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Letters of Recommendation may be emailed separately to [rchappel@illinois.edu](mailto:rchappel@illinois.edu).*

*You will be notified of acceptance by **March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019.***

## APPLICATION FORM

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION, RESUME, AND A COVER LETTER WITH THIS APPLICATION

<b>Name:</b>
<b>Current Address</b>
Street Address/Apt.#
City/State/Zip Code:
Phone:
Cellular:
Email:
<b>Department Affiliation (Check Appropriate Box)</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural and Biological Engineering <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural and Consumer Economics <input type="checkbox"/> Animal Sciences <input type="checkbox"/> Crop Sciences <input type="checkbox"/> Food Science and Human Nutrition <input type="checkbox"/> Human and Community Development <input type="checkbox"/> Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences
<b>Grade</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Junior
<b>Cumulative GPA</b> _____

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## Academic Responsibilities and Outcomes for Research Interns

- **Participate in a pre-summer orientation meeting:** One session designed to build your understanding of the research process.
- **Outline a research plan:** A prerequisite to initiating your summer research project. It will become your step-by-step guide to carrying out your summer research. This should be created in collaboration with your cooperating faculty mentor.
- **Mid-Program Debrief:** An opportunity for you to share the current status of your project with peers, faculty advisors, mentors, stakeholders, and invited guests. Supported by PowerPoint, you will deliver a summary of your project to be followed by Q & A. This will also give you an opportunity to improve your presentation skills. This can be done in person or electronically.
- **Final Presentation:** An oral summary supported by a poster of your research project in September 2019.
- **Confirmation of Completion:** A confirmation of completion form must be submitted by September 16, 2019, including a signature from your faculty mentor. This form will be electronically delivered to Rob Chappell.
- **Undergraduate Research Symposium:** Students may submit an abstract to the Undergraduate Research Symposium to be held in April 2020. A series of pre-symposium events will support students in the preparation of both proposals and presentations.

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