

Policy Internship at the Ohio Ecological Food and Farm Association (OEFFA)

Internship Description:

This is a unique opportunity for an undergraduate or graduate student to learn more about all levels of policy development and implementation. Candidates will perform a variety of tasks, either in an office setting in Columbus, Ohio or remotely. Desirable attributes for this position include an open-mindedness and curiosity of all aspects of agriculture, conservation and public policy. Ideal candidates will have a complete grasp on Microsoft Office programs, social media, and strong written and verbal skills. Students interested in sustainable agriculture, law, environmental policy, and/or advocacy are encouraged to apply.

As a Policy Intern for OEFFA you are likely to:

1. Play a key role in coordinating policy projects across a number of areas including organic agriculture, climate change, beginning farmers, land conservation and more.
2. Contribute to member outreach and leadership development.
3. Participate in state and national coalition work.
4. Creating documents, letters and articles to educate and build engagement.
5. Provide research support and assist with outreach.

The position is a flexible 10-20 hour week schedule. If your university program offers credit for internships, we will make an effort to tailor the internship to the length/hours desired.

This is an unpaid internship.

Benefits:

1. This is an incredible opportunity to learn first-hand about many aspects of policy advocacy at both the state and national level.
2. Understand the role of Community Service Organizations in the policy space.
3. See how policy plays out from need identification through policy formulation, adoption, implementation, and evaluation.
4. Learn organizing skills, understanding the role of campaigns, narrative and base building.
5. See first-hand the important role of advocacy coalitions.

Application Instructions:

Submit a cover letter indicating your interest, course of study and experiences that relate to this position along with a resume and two references to policy@oeffa.org.

About OEFFA:

Founded in 1979, the Ohio Ecological Food and Farm Association (OEFFA) cultivates a future in which sustainable and organic farmers thrive, local food nourishes our communities, and agricultural practices protect and enhance our environment.