**Organization Name:** University of Washington Farm

**Organization Description & Website:** food.washington.edu/farm

The UW Farm is a student-run farm on the University of Washington campus. With two farming locations on campus, specialized farm activities, and weekly events, we offer exciting opportunities for the student body and local community to get involved in urban agriculture.

**Opportunity Title:** K-5 Garden-based Education and Community Public Health Internship

**Opportunity Description:** Students will work on day-to-day production on the farm and children’s garden and participate in school field trips to the UW Farm, while researching for and writing a report relating the K-5 garden-based education program on the UW Farm with community public health. Consider what the implications of teaching children about sustainable agriculture and food production are on community health. This internship has the potential for a myriad of research foci including, but not limited to, how outdoor education can influence physical activity and healthy eating habits, and whether children educating parents can motivate lifestyle changes. Read and consolidate literature on the topic while participating in hands-on physical labor and community engagement at the UW Farm.

**Start Date:** First week of SPR or AUT quarters, or as arranged with supervisor

**End Date:** First week of SPR or AUT quarters, or as arranged with supervisor

**Time Commitment**: 6-10 hours of on-farm activity (during scheduled farm-work hours) per week

**Transportation Requirements:** Students must be able to bus, bike, walk or drive themselves to the various farm sites on campus

**Compensation:** This is an unpaid internship experience

**Duties & Responsibilities:** Responsibilities on the farm will include, but are not limited to, leading school field trips and other education activities, bed preparation, seeding, transplanting, trellising, harvesting, irrigation installation, and weed and pest management. Students can negotiate specific tasks according to interest and ability, but are generally expected to participate fully in regular education events on the farm.

**Desired Skills:**

* Interest in elementary-level health education
* desire to learn about sustainable agriculture
* ability to listen and learn quickly
* willingness to work in the soil and in all weather conditions
* good attitude towards teamwork

**Available Learning Opportunities:** Environmental Health Majors, Public Health Majors, and Nutritional Sciences Minors may be able to earn credit for integrating this UW Farm experience with academic work. Please see your program adviser for more details.

To Apply: Send resume & letter of interest to sgeurk@uw.edu with Public Health Internship: Y*our Name* in the subject line.

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