

Fertizona Summer Internship Program 2011

Fertizona is Arizona's largest ag fertilizer and crop protection retailer. With 10 locations located from Southern California, throughout Arizona and Northern Mexico, with a regional trucking depot.

Fertizona and its member companies, Compton Ag Services and Ag Express, provide inputs for Southwestern growers, turf managers, nurseries, landscapers, and municipalities. With an experienced staff of Pest Control Advisors, Agronomists and Turf Managers, we provide superior service and knowledge and provide for our Southwestern agriculture.

Position:

Seasonal Field Assistant Intern

Location:

Casa Grande, AZ. Earn valuable experience and competitive pay (overtime compensated).

Requirements

We are looking for motivated individuals interested in gaining valuable job skills in agriculture. Applicants must be willing and able to work outdoors in hot, dusty, and/or wet field environments and must be able to lift 50 lbs. Applicants must exhibit excellent communication skills and an ability to cooperate with a diversity of team members and customers.

Majors Preferred: Agricultural Sciences, Biological Sciences, or Pest Management

Must be able to acquire Arizona Pest Control Advisor License

Qualifications

Students must be enrolled in an Agriculture-related degree at a college or university (online schools are acceptable if they have accreditation by the Dept of Education) ("currently enrolled" means the student will be enrolled for fall semester 2011), and must meet the eligibility requirements listed above.

Some positions allow for an equivalent combination of education and experience. Specific course work for some positions may be required. Specialized Experience is defined as experience directly related to the responsibilities of the advertised position.

A personality and placement exam will be conducted during the program.

Description

Seasonal field assistants help the delivery staff with deliveries and Pest Control Advisors with field checking for pests & weeds. This is an excellent opportunity to gain hands on experience within an agricultural retail setting. Duties include assisting with order-taking, facility maintenance, inventory, deliveries, field checking, and bringing a good attitude to work every day. Maintenance of a safe and organized work area is crucial to this job. There is a great deal of diversity in tasks during the season and never a dull moment.



What It's All About

The Seasonal Field Assistant Intern will partner with the Field Sales Agronomists/Pest Control Advisors in sales, customer service, and sound agronomic recommendations to our customers.

Duration: 12 weeks | May 16th – August 5th

Week 1: Orientation, Training, Warehouse

Weeks 2-3: Front Desk 2 Days, Warehouse 3 days

Week 4: Warehouse/Delivery

Weeks 5-8: Fieldwork, Employee Interviews

Weeks 9-12: Fieldwork, Employee Interviews

What Learning Experience We Offer with this Internship:

- Read and understand soil tests and petiole tests
- Understand and identify plant growth stages
- Weed, insect, and plant disease identification
- Knowledge of pesticide labels
- Assist FSA to build pesticide recommendation based upon plant growth stage, pest pressure, etc.
- General understanding of fertilizer, chemical and seed programs
- Understanding of merchandise pricing
- Understanding of supply chain and delivery

Work schedule

Work period will begin mid-May and will continue through early August. During peak growing season (primarily late June- early July), may work 50+ hr/wk with overtime compensation. All business transportation and travel costs are covered by the company. We provide a flexible work schedule as possible during off-peak times.

Eligibility

- Must be a U.S. Citizen or U.S. Permanent Resident
- Must be currently enrolled in an Agriculture Degree (Agricultural Sciences, Biological Sciences, or Pest Management) at a college or university (online schools are acceptable if they have accreditation by the Dept of Education) ("currently enrolled" means the student will be enrolled for fall semester 2011).
- Must pass a drug screen
- Must have a valid Driver's License

Application Instructions for Summer Internship Program

To apply for an internship, students may apply for internship vacancies by submitting the following:

- Employment Application
- A resume with cover letter with current contact information
- Three (3) references, if possible

If selected, applicants will be notified before May for summer.

Due to the volume of applications, only applicants who are selected for internships will be notified.

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