

Iowa Pork Producers Association Pork Congress Intern

2016-2017

Purpose

The future of agriculture depends on the involvement of the next generation...tomorrow's leaders. The Iowa Pork Producers Association (IPPA) created this internship to encourage students to become involved in the pork industry and gain the knowledge needed to lead the future of the pork industry. This intern will be directly involved with the planning and facilitating of the Iowa Pork Congress, as well as other producer programs that take place in the Fall of 2016 thru end of January 2017.

Responsibilities

1. Observe the functions of an agricultural organization
2. Assist IPPA staff and producer leaders with the planning and the facilitating of the 2017 Iowa Pork Congress in January
3. Assist the Producer Education Director with other producer programs throughout the internship
4. Assist with writing press releases and feature stories for the Iowa Pork Producer magazine
5. Represent the Iowa Pork Producers Association throughout the internship

Schedule

Fall/Winter schedule: October 10, 2016 – February 3, 2017

1. IPPA will work around intern's class schedule and the intern is expected to work in the IPPA office in Clive a minimum of 20 hours/week.

Selection Criteria

The position is available to any student, but preference will be given to the following criteria:

1. Preferably an Iowa resident
2. A full-time college student with an agricultural-related major that has experience in communication
3. Student in good scholastic standing with excellent written and oral communication skills
4. Proficient in Microsoft Office programs
5. Exhibits a strong and true interest in agriculture, ideally the pork industry

Financial Assistance

The intern will be paid a \$4,000 stipend to help cover expenses during the internship and will receive a \$2,000 scholarship paid directly to their school.

Application Process

Please submit a cover letter, resume, and 500 word essay on **"What do you consider to be a key issue facing the pork industry in the next ten years."** By **August 1, 2016**. Plan to interview early September of 2016.



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