Advocates for Urban Agriculture
Resource Guide Intern Position Description

Advocates for Urban Agriculture (AUA) is a coalition of individuals, organizations and businesses working to support and expand sustainable agriculture in the Chicago area, from home- and community-based growing to market gardens and small farms.

AUA is seeking a Resource Guide Intern to complete individual sections of our Urban Agriculture Resource Guide. This online outlet strives to consolidate Chicago’s urban agricultural tools and information into a logical user-friendly guide. This is an excellent learning opportunity and chance to gain familiarity with Chicago’s urban agriculture community.

The intern will work with AUA staff to select Resource Guide topics that they are interested or have expertise in. S/he will do online research and contact local experts and urban agriculture groups in Chicago to gather complete information. The intern will update or write new content on topics such as Rooftop Growing, Pest Management, Food Safety, and Season Extension, with a specific focus on the topics’ applicability to urban agriculture in Chicago.

Internship Responsibilities
- Write and edit 2 or more sections of the Urban Agriculture Resource Guide (Please see Resource Guide Section Outline to better understand the desired format.)
- Research online information from reliable sources
- Contact local experts, practitioners, and groups to fact-check and gather information
- Work with AUA staff to edit and revise new and current Resource Guide articles
- Attend Resource Working Group meetings as necessary

Minimum Qualifications
- Strong interest in Chicago’s urban agriculture movement
- Solid research, writing, and editing skills
- Self-motivation and a high level of initiative are a must. As AUA has no physical office, the intern will often be working remotely, with occasional in-person meetings, check-in calls and Skype sessions.
- Junior or senior status (Highly qualified freshman and sophomores may be considered.)

Desired Qualifications
- Urban agriculture experience
- Digital video editing experience
- Basic HTML skills

Time Commitment
Eight to twelve hours per week; flexible based on intern’s availability.
Compensation
This internship is unpaid. AUA staff will be happy to work to fulfill any requirements that need to be met if the intern wishes to use the internship for college credit.

To Apply
Please review the Urban Agriculture Resource Guide, then send a cover letter, resume, and brief writing sample (approximately one page) to info@auachicago.org. Please include the following information:

- Qualifications and interest relating to the project
- Availability (number of hours per week you are available and days & times when you would generally be able to work on the project)