



**Cleveland Botanical Garden
Horticulture Internship Position Description**

Position Title: Horticulture Intern

Objective:

- To expose intern to the many facets of an urban public horticultural institution, primarily in garden and glasshouse management.

Supervisor:

- Direct Supervisor: Grounds Manager
- Work with Horticulturists, Glasshouse staff, and Curator of Collections

Work Location:

- Cleveland Botanical Garden – Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio, USA
- Located in the heart of Cleveland’s cultural, health, and education district, 10 minutes east of downtown Cleveland.

Responsibilities:

- Accomplish daily hands-on, horticulturally-related jobs as well as long-term group projects
- Assist with care of gardens and glasshouses, including duties such as, but not limited to watering, pruning, planting, weeding, mulching, fertilizing, mowing, propagating, and IPM pest control.
- Conduct research for a season long project, culminating with a public presentation.

Educational Benefits:

- Gain experience in working with annuals & perennials, woody plants, herbs, wildflowers, aquatic plants, interior plants, turf, tropical & desert plants, and container plantings.
- Learn and practice sustainable horticulture practices including Integrated Pest Management, organic fertilizers, etc.
- Field trips to public and commercial horticulture facilities.
- College internship credit with sponsoring school.
- Independent research project with a mentor.
- Attend Garden classes and programs for free.

Qualifications:

- Completion of two years of college (horticulture, botany or related field) or technical program is preferred.
- Proven genuine interest in plants, coupled with a desire to learn.
- Experience in the field of horticulture is preferred.
- Excellent ability to communicate and interact with the general public.

Requirements:

- Must be able to lift 50 lbs. and work outdoors in extreme weather conditions.
- Must pass a criminal background check.
- Driving record is also screened.

Dates of Position: May/June through August/September (minimum three month commitment). Five days per week with weekend work, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Generally 40 hours per week.

Housing: Intern is responsible for obtaining housing and transportation.

To Apply: Send a statement of interest, current resume, unofficial transcripts and three references to the attention of *Human Resources, Cleveland Botanical Garden, 11030 East Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, USA 44106* or send email applications with attachments labeled as your full name to: Internships@cbgarden.org

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