

UCC AmeriCorps Garden Intern

450-hour UCC AmeriCorps Individual Placement Position

Organization Description

Founded in 2013, EATS (Eat Awesome Things) Park City's mission is dedicated to empowering and growing healthy communities with fun, food, and nutrition advocacy. EATS envisions a healthier generation through the guiding principles of: collaborative efforts within our Park City community to attain a holistic approach toward healthier children and their families, knowledge and understanding about food and where it comes from, minimizing food waste throughout the food system, nutrient rich foods, and an openness to learning about new foods and sustainable methods of growing food to support our community.

Position Description

Become a Garden Intern for EATS Park City and provide direct services to our community through our Garden Program. The Garden Intern position is offered through Utah Conservation Corps and is a great opportunity to learn about gardening in community spaces, like schools and community plots, teaching experiential education, and food equity. Join us to learn about how to garden and grow food for underserved communities while serving your community as an AmeriCorps member.

Primary Duties

- Along with EATS Garden Coordinator, manage garden plots at various locations (schools, local businesses, and community gardens)
- Facilitate garden events and classes with participants of various ages
- Recruit and coordinate volunteers to assist in garden projects
- Manage distribution and record keeping of food donations
- Manage Tower Garden Maintenance

Qualifications

- Basic knowledge of or experience in sustainable, organic gardening
- Experience working with kids in an educational setting
- Excellent communication skills, positive attitude, and ability to solve problems creatively

AmeriCorps Requirements

- Must be a US Citizen or Permanent Resident
- At least age 18 by the start of service term
- Must have a high school diploma or equivalent
- Must undergo and pass a National Criminal History Check

- Eligible to serve in an AmeriCorps State/National term
- Commitment to completing their Term of Service (start date-end date)

Training and Professional Development

- Training under the Garden Coordinator to get to know community partners and to learn how to grow food to serve a community and to support EATS cooking classes and camps
- Professional development opportunities through working with community partners (local farmers, landscapers, gardeners, and business owners)
- Data collection, validation, and reporting training
- Volunteer Management Training

Educational Opportunities and Other Benefits

- Gain experience designing indoor and outdoor gardens, managing people, facilitating groups of kids
- Learn about sustainable, organic gardening practices
- Flexible schedule
- Opportunity to spend time working outdoors in beautiful Park City!

Compensation

This is a 450-hour AmeriCorps position that comes with these benefits:

- \$3,704 living allowance (paid in even disbursements throughout term of service)
- \$1,612.43 education award (available to members after successful service term)
- Federal student loan forbearance and workers comp for all members.

To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and two references to natalie@eatsparkcity.org. Please put UCC AmeriCorps Garden Intern in the subject line.