

**Location:** Washington, D.C.

Interested in learning what it takes to fix federal food and farm policy? Want to help build national grassroots campaigns around issues like support for farm to school or sustainable agriculture practices?

The **National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition** (NSAC) is currently seeking a Grassroots Intern for the fall, beginning in August 2015 and ending in January 2016. This position is paid, full time, and located at NSAC's DC office on Capitol Hill.

NSAC is the leading advocacy organization for federal policy that supports sustainable agriculture and food systems. We work towards the vision of creating a safe, nutritious, and affordable food supply produced by a legion of diverse family farmers who make a decent living pursuing their trade, while sustaining the environment and contributing to the strength of their communities. NSAC's collaborative work environment offers an opportunity to advance federal sustainable agriculture policy through grassroots advocacy and organizing as part of a dedicated and effective team.

### **Position Description**

NSAC's Grassroots Intern will work closely with NSAC's grassroots and policy staff on the full range of daily activities in our fast-paced DC office, with a focus on working on several active grassroots advocacy campaigns.

Tasks will include:

- Developing creative, impactful outreach and engagement tools for farmers and consumers – including digital and multimedia materials – around a range of issues and campaigns, including farm to school, working lands conservation, beginning farmer issues, sustainable ag research, and much more;
- Assisting NSAC staff and coalition members with national grassroots outreach campaigns using social media, email, and other advocacy tools;
- Conducting research, data analysis, and professional interviews to support advocacy campaigns and materials;
- Drafting and editing blog posts, social media posts, advocacy messages, and press pitches;
- Managing incoming calls and other administrative duties with NSAC's Policy Intern; and
- Assisting with other projects and assignments as needed.

### **Qualifications**

- An understanding of and passion for sustainable agriculture
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Experience with community organizing and grassroots capacity building efforts
- Ability to both work independently and be a good team player
- Willingness to work around a demanding congressional schedule and deadlines
- Experience with print and/or digital media
- Graphic design experience and knowledge of Adobe CreativeSuite, and HTML a plus

### **Application**

Please send resume, cover letter (including an explanation of your interests in sustainable agriculture and grassroots organizing), and the names and contact information for two references to [intern@sustainableagriculture.net](mailto:intern@sustainableagriculture.net) with "Fall Grassroots Intern" in the email subject line.

**No phone calls, please.**