

## **NSAC Grassroots Intern: Summer 2016 Posting**

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

The **National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition** (NSAC) is currently seeking a Grassroots Intern for summer 2016, beginning in mid-May 2016 and ending in August 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 with our over 100 member organizations around the country to empower grassroots voices – including farmers and eaters – for positive change. We work towards the vision of a safe, nutritious, and affordable food supply produced by diverse family farmers who make a decent living pursuing their trade, while sustaining the environment and contributing to the strength of their communities.

### **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;
- Assisting with other projects and assignments as needed.

### **Qualifications**

- An understanding of and passion for sustainable food and farms
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Experience with community organizing and grassroots capacity building efforts
- Experience working with diverse communities
- 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 but not required

### **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 “Summer Grassroots Intern” in the email subject line.

*NSAC is an equal opportunity employer. We actively encourage people of color to apply for this position.*

**No phone calls, please.**