



**2022 Summer Internship
Summer Camp Counselor
UT Gardens, Knoxville**

The UT Gardens offers a variety of opportunities throughout the year for students to gain experience in public horticulture, gardening/environmental education or therapeutic horticulture. During this internship, students will learn how to plan and implement programming for the University of Tennessee Gardens summer camps. This is a paid 9-week term position. Students will work 40 hours per week. The position will start May 23rd and end on August 1st.

Position Purpose:

The Summer Camp Counselor is responsible for assisting with planning, teaching, coordinating, and carrying out a variety of educational programming for the UT Gardens' summer camp and other educational programs that may occur throughout the summer.

Experience and Skills:

- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Knowledge of gardening preferred but not necessary
- Planning, organizing and project coordination skills
- Independent and able to work with limited supervision
- Experience working with children
- Able to follow directions and policies at all times
- Enthusiastic about gardening and environmental education

Responsibilities may include the following tasks:

- Assist with program set up and tear down
- Lead various sessions on a variety of gardening and environmental topics
- Plan and implement educational programming
- Facilitate and participate in camp games
- Work with elementary-school and middle-school-aged children
- Assist in supervision of campers
- Maintain high standards of safety and health of campers and staff
- Be a role model to campers and staff

- Hours may include evenings and some weekends
- Assist with other gardens programming as needed
- Be willing to have fun

Work Environment:

- Indoors & Outdoors
- May be exposed to inclement weather: rain, heat, wind, etc.
- Sitting and standing for varied lengths of time
- Must be able to lift gardening materials including bags of soil, pots, etc.

How to Apply for this Opportunity

Contact Whitney Welch, Garden Educator, at the UT Gardens, Knoxville for an application.

Supervisor Contact Information

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