DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

*AGRICULTURE CAREER FAIR:* 9 am – 1 pm, Wednesday, September 27th in the Brown Ballroom of the Bone Student Center.

Business dress. A photographer will be available to take a professional picture that you can use with your social media accounts. This event has historically included over 40 companies who are looking for everything from part-time employees, students to participate in internships, to full-time employees. The event is for all students (freshman – graduate students). For more information and a list of the companies who will be attending, please visit the following website, https://agriculture.illinoisstate.edu/academics/career-fair/.

*HR PANEL:* Prepare for the Career Fair by joining company representative share tip on how to make a great impression at the Career Fair. 5:30 – 6:30 PM Tuesday, September 26 in Ropp 108G.

*AG CAREER FAIR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:* Sign up to volunteer at the Ag Career Fair. You can sign up for 30 minute increments between 7:30 am – 1:30 PM. Sign up using the following link: https://forms.illinoisstate.edu/forms/agriculture_career_fair_student_volunteer_form

REGISTRATION STUDENT ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SIGMA ALPHA RECRUITMENT WEEK:* September 11-16. Sign up for our recruitment.

Monday (9/11) – Get to know our Sisters! @ 6:30 – RAB 108G
Tuesday (9/12) – Resume Building Night @ 6:30 in RAB 106 – Professional Dress
Wednesday (9/13) – Sisterhood Night @ 6:30 in RAB 108G
Thursday (9/14) – Service Night @ 6:30 in RAB 108G
Friday (9/15) – Interviews – Professional Dress (TBD)
Saturday (9/16) – Bid Day! Invite Only!

Collegiate Farm Bureau (CFB): CFB Kickoff Meeting in RAB 107F on Monday, September 11th at 5:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome!! Come learn about membership discounts, state events, learn about the family of companies, meet your officers, and enjoy free food! For more information contact Beth at edclar1@ilstu.edu.

*CANNABIS CLUB REDBIRDS:* First meeting on Monday, September 11th, 6-7 p.m. in Moulton 210.

Email Club President, Jackie Heim at jmheim@ilstu.edu.

AG ED: Club Meetings are Tuesdays at 5:00 pm in the Hudelson Building, Room106.

- September 12th – Fellowship: Ag teacher ax throwing!
- October 5th – Friendsgiving Potluck!
- November 5th – Pumpkin painting, dessert making!
- Cookie Decorating & Christmas Party

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JOB / INTERNSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

*2024 SUMMER INTERNSHIP:* The Farm Credit Illinois internship program provides students with the opportunity to grow and develop both personally and professionally through valuable on-the-job experience, job shadowing, networking, and mentoring. By working with a variety of departments, interns will have the opportunity to explore different career paths. In addition to this, they will have opportunities for travel assignments throughout the southern 60 counties of Illinois. FCI interns become part of a family-oriented team working to serve its members. We seek students aligned with our five core values – family, integrity, relationships, expertise, and passion – as well as those who are motivated to find innovative solutions to business needs. FCI will be hiring four summer interns, with two positions available: Generalist Intern and Sales Intern. FCI offers interns a competitive hourly rate, reimbursement for all business travel expenses, a logo wear allowance, “Dress for Your Day” dress code, and other perks. Summer Intern hours are 8:00 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday.

THE GENERALIST INTERNSHIP will be for twelve-weeks, based at the Central Office in Mahomet, Illinois.

THE SALES INTERNSHIP will also be for twelve-weeks, but will be based out of a variety of field offices.

Applications accepted August 22 - October 13 and will be available at Job Opportunities (cover letter and resume required)

1. Sales Internship Application
2. Generalist Internship Application

(9/11/23)
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**September 11th 2023** = new items

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**DATE IN QUOTES ( ) IS THE WEEK THAT ARTICLE WAS FIRST ADDED TO THE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Assistant Manager: Missal is a single location country grain elevator dealing in corn, soybeans, wheat, and a small amount of blacksmithing coal. Looking for an assistant manager with basic skills in recordkeeping, bill paying, invoicing and customer assistance. The assistant manager will help oversee the inbound and outbound grain shipments, keeping grain in condition and keeping the company up to date on safety and regulatory requirements. The assistant manager will aid in all other parts of the operation as needed and directed by the General Manager. This is primarily an indoor job with occasional limited outside responsibilities. Desirable traits and duties: • Courteous and fair customer service. • Ability to communicate with customers and employees. • Maintaining a clean and orderly facility. • Able to recognize safety hazards. • Computer skills related to spreadsheet management and financial software or the ability to learn. This is an in-person job that requires daily attendance Monday through Friday and overtime hours during peak harvest period which is generally October and November but varies based on weather. This job requires frequent and effective communication with the General Manager, Board of Directors, customers, and other employees of Missal. Vacation, holidays, and sick days are in accordance with the employee handbook. This is not a remote position. The pay range is $40,000 to $70,000 and will be based on relevant experience and education. If interested, please send resume or additional questions to: ilgrainwork@gmail.com. (9/5/23)

Part-Time: Small meat locker in south Bloomington looking for part time help. Opportunities will include: cutting, boning, grinding, and packaging of both retail and whole carcass cuts. Other opportunities also available depending on interest. Will work around class schedule and experience not necessary. Call or text 309-261-1235 for more information. https://www.bloomington-meats.com/. (9/5/23)

Fall Harvest: Looking for fall harvest part-time employee for mowing, weed eating, dumping grain at bin sites, possibly running tractor/auger wagon. Through winter months cleaning up equipment and maintenance on equipment. Could possibly be needed next spring planting season and summer. Barb and Mike Lay > 309-824-0322 Barb > 309-275-3980 Mike (8/22/23)

Part-Time Farm Crew: We are looking for 2 great people to join our crew at Hunter Oaks Equestrian Center! Prefer 3+ days per week. Family friendly environment. Must be 18. No smoking. Starting pay based on experience. Responsibilities include but not limited to: Feed/water, walking horses to/from turnout, stall cleaning. Morning chores 7a - approx 12n. Evening chores somewhat flexible 3:30-5:30 or 4p - 6p. If you have your own horse, we will consider trade hours to offset partial cost of board. The more availability, the more perks. Several AG and BUSINESS majors have also been able to get college credit as a paid internship. We are always happy to expand educational opportunities for interested students thru our relationships with vet, farrier, equine massage specialist, professional top riders who are here for clinics, riding lesson observation, hay crop, etc. Please contact Allison Mercier call or text 309-532-7171 to schedule interview. https://www.facebook.com/hunteroaksequestrian?mibextid=LQQJ4d (8/22/2023)

Weeding, Transplanting Plants: Making new garden plots, pruning, clearing beds and getting them ready for fall planting. Plus lots of little things that happen. You will learn about permaculture practices. I pay based on experience starting at $12.00. I am looking for 3-5 hours per week. Please call or email me Janice Turner. (309) 459-1333. ilturner777@gmail.com (8/22/2023)

Summer 2024 Intern: Annbriar Golf Course is a public course in Waterloo, Illinois, 25 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri. The Student Intern will work with the Superintendent, Assistant, and staff in all course maintenance aspects. This seasonal position will expose the student to skills needed to progress in turf management, including but not limited to daily maintenance, crew management, equipment repair, irrigation troubleshooting and repair, course construction projects, water management, pesticide and fertilizer applications. The position requires a positive attitude, strong work ethic, ability to work with staff members, and willingness to learn.

**BENEFITS:** Hourly Wage: $18.00/hr. | Golf membership | 50% meals discount, merchandise discount | Golf shirts provided | Alternating schedule to include every other weekend off and every other Monday off. More course info can be found at www.annbriar.com Justin Wrench, Course Superintendent Justin@annbriar.com (314) 415-0147 (8/22/23)

Assistant Superintendent: Annbriar Golf Course, Waterloo, Illinois. The Assistant will work with the Superintendent and staff in all course maintenance aspects. This year-round position will expose the right candidate to skills needed to progress in turf management, including but not limited to daily maintenance, crew management, equipment repair, irrigation troubleshooting and repair, course construction projects, water management, pesticide and fertilizer applications. The position requires a positive attitude, strong work ethic, ability to work with and lead staff members, and willingness to learn. The applicant must be able to obtain an Illinois Pesticide License.

**BENEFITS:** Salary: 50,000 | Holiday Bonus | Paid Health Insurance | 401K (non-matching) | Paid dues to local and national associations | Paid vacation and sick time | Golf membership | 50% meals discount, merchandise discount | Golf shirts provided | Alternating schedule to include every other weekend off and every other Monday off. More course info can be found at www.annbriar.com Justin Wrench, Course Superintendent Justin@annbriar.com (314) 415-0147 (8/22/23)
Fall Harvest: Bittner Farms, LLC is looking for corn and soybean harvest help for 2023. We are in need of experienced grain cart operators or truck drivers if you have a CDL and some experience. We are a family operation that works well together and already employ 2 current ISU students. We are located just East of the Bloomington airport, so we are very close to town. If you fit our needs and have interest in working with us this Fall please call or text Bart Bittner at 309-830-5401. (8/22/23)

Environmental And Interpretive Programmer: Peoria Park District is hiring. Do you have an interest in working as the part time Environmental & Interpretive Programmer? Apply online today. We are one park district, one community. Bachelor's degree in environmental science, education, history, biology, or related field is preferred. Extensive experience in a like position with similar duties and responsibilities may be substituted for all or part of the educational requirement. A strong interest in, and willingness to learn about, local history and human history, as well as informal interpretation / teaching methods. Experience working with animals. Experience working harmoniously with people of all ages and backgrounds. Cash handling and customer service experience. Ability to use common systems, such as Microsoft Office, ability to learn RecTrac system. For more information about this position and other positions available, visit: https://peoriaparks.org/careers/. (8/22/23)

Top Ag Cooperative’s Job Postings: All positions can be viewed at www.topag.net/careers. Some of these positions would be great 1st jobs for new graduates (i.e. – Sales Associate, Logistics Coordinator, Precision Ag Specialist). Top Ag Cooperative Oakville, IL 62271 | Office – 618-243-3361 | Cell – 618-314-0441 | christieg@topag.net (8/22/23)

NETWORKING

Announcing Our Next Sustainable City Tour To Reykjavik, Iceland In January 2024! The Sustainable City program exposes our students to some of the most sustainable cities and communities across the globe - with opportunities to engage and network with local industries, organizations, and governments – all while becoming informed of the broad nature of green jobs that intersect through a variety of disciplines. Registration is due Friday, September 15th. More info can be found on our website: https://sustainability.illinoisstate.edu/engage/city-tours/ Feel free to reach out to us with any questions: sustainability@ilstu.edu.

Illinois Landscaping Contractors Association (ILCA): ICLA has multiple upcoming events. Please check out their website! https://ilca.net/ilca-events/

Agriculture Future Of America Leader’s Conference: AFA provides experiences to students pursuing degrees in agriculture allowing them to connect with fellow young leaders as well as industry professionals. AFA creates engaging and exciting experiences for both personal and professional skill development. Join in the fun November 9-12, 2023, in Kansas City, MO to create connections, grow your network, and learn new things! It is an experience you will never forget! Visit agfuture.org to apply for 2023 AFA Leaders Conference. Contact enpauls@ilstu.edu for help navigating what’s next! https://www.agfuture.org/

Mark Your Calendar for the Fall Career Fairs: Great opportunities to meet employers seeking to hire Illinois State talent.

• Accounting Career Fair, Friday, September 15, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. • Fall Internship Fair, Wednesday, September 20, 2-5 p.m.
• Fall Career Fair, Tuesday, October 3, 2-5 p.m. • Virtual Meet the Firms Actuarial Employment Event, Wednesday, October 4, 1:30-3:30 p.m.
• Health and Wellness Career Fair, Tuesday, October 24, 2-5 p.m. • Virtual Internship and Career Fair, Thursday, October 26, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
• Education Career Fair, Tuesday, October 31, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. • Social Impact Career Fair, Thursday, November 9, 2-5 p.m.

For more info contact Career Services | (309) 438-2200 CareerServices@IllinoisState.edu

Young Professionals Council: The YPC offers leadership and networking opportunities for young industry professionals while getting involved in volunteer opportunities within the floral/horticultural industries. Join today! Membership is Free! For more info and to become a member, visit their website at https://endowment.org/ypc/.