

INTERVALE CENTER INTERNSHIP 2009-2010

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Opportunity to work with Vermont's pre-eminent organization focused for 20 years on building local food systems and urban food ventures.

Focus: Building community and institutional partnership networks

Background work:

- Participation in organizational strategic planning
- Participation in Master planning work for 350 acre urban agriculture/conservation area
- Examination of regulatory framework for Intervale activities: Act 250, city zoning, Agency of Agriculture policies, Environmental regulations, FEMA flood plain guidelines, Land Trust easements and grants
- Research federal, state, private financing/funding
- Participate in organizational systems, budgeting, staffing, program decisions

Interface:

- Currently we have a UVM doctoral student working on examining the multi-functionality of the Intervale as a community resource

Outcome:

- Network mapping of Intervale connections to the community
- Program design to better accommodate outside organizations working in the Intervale in complimentary activities

Work Conditions:

The internship is designed to be a two semester effort, with schedule to be set with the final internship agreement. The intern will report directly to the Executive Director. This is an unpaid position. It is possible that some funding may emerge to provide some reimbursement, but applicants should not base their interest on this being a paid position. This is an opportunity to develop more extensive experience to apply to future study and employment.

The Executive Director is an adjunct faculty member at the MPA program and will work with the intern to develop a learning plan and goals best suited to the needs of the student and the organization.

Qualifications:

- Good office work skills; comfortable and skilled in working in group situations; basic research skills; interest in network analysis, program development, community development, local foods.
- Resume, writing sample and two recommendations (email)

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