



## Market Manager Internship

Would you like to increase access to fresh produce on campus while helping students lead healthy lives? Are you interested in fostering managerial experience in a community setting? The Sustainable Agriculture Project at GVSU offers rewarding internships that expose students to practical, hands-on knowledge while encouraging creativity.

### **Position Summary:**

The Market Manager Intern will learn how to coordinate membership to CSAs at the SAP and increase market presence at GVSU. The successful applicant will manage volunteers and interns who reach out to members of the GVSU community to increase consumption of healthy produce. The intern will also research and practice methods to improve farm market systems through data analysis of market sales. This will help foster a deep understanding of sustainable food systems.

### **Qualifications:**

- Commitment to fully utilize the internship as a learning experience
- Tolerant of working outside in all weather conditions
- Most relevant majors to this position are Accounting, Business, Communication, Health Administration, and Public and Nonprofit Administration, but all majors are welcome to apply

### **Special Project Opportunity:**

Interns will have the opportunity to pursue independent research projects to enrich their academic experience, such as:

- Improving good food access for GVSU
- Improving food waste reduction projects
- Researching solutions to food deserts
- Expanding food and nutrition education on campus
- Creating partnerships on campus to improve market sustainability
- Devising initiatives, such as cooking classes, that encourage GVSU students to take charge of their well-being
- Other projects are possible depending upon the intern's interests

### **Interns Will Learn to:**

- ❖ Demonstrate an understanding of the complexities and approaches of sustainable food systems
- ❖ Recognize the impact of barriers to food access in our community
- ❖ Develop a unique leadership style
- ❖ Describe the importance of agriculture in the economy
- ❖ Recognize systems thinking and/or design thinking in processes
- ❖ Follow all appropriate food safety procedures
- ❖ Analyze the strengths and limitations of small-scale farming
- ❖ Apply appropriate tools and technology for sustainable agriculture