



2024 Public Horticulture Internship

ABOUT THE FRIENDS OF BIRMINGHAM BOTANICAL GARDENS

Guided by its mission—to protect, nurture, and share the Gardens’ countless wonders—the Friends is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving the Gardens; serving the community; visitors; and inspiring a passion for plants, gardens, and the environment.

QUALIFICATIONS

The Friends of the Birmingham Botanical Gardens (FBBG) is excited to announce our 2024 Fall Internship program. This 12-week opportunity is available to a rising junior or senior attending a four-year college or university full-time or a recent graduate of a two or four-year college or equivalent experience seeking experience in horticulture or related fields. Preference will be given to students majoring in horticulture, landscape design, landscape architecture, biology, botany, ecology, plant science, environmental science, or a closely related discipline or with equivalent experience. The intern will work under the supervision of the horticulture staff with an emphasis on the care of the Dunn Formal Rose Garden. The intern will learn skills in applied horticulture and gain practical experience toward a career in public horticulture.

The starting and ending dates for the internships are flexible based on the intern's availability. The program will last 12 consecutive weeks at 20 hours per week. Workdays will normally be between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The intern will be compensated at a rate of \$15 per hour.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The internship is competitive, and candidates are encouraged to be thorough, detailed, grammatically accurate, and concise with their applications.

Candidates must provide the following:

- Resume (not to exceed two pages)
- Statement of approximately 200 words outlining professional objectives regarding the internship
- A reference from an academic advisor knowledgeable of your scholastic standing toward graduation
- Proof of a valid driver’s license

Materials may be submitted electronically to: info@bbgardens.org

The candidate must ensure the receipt of application materials by FBBG by the deadline. Qualified candidates will be asked to interview with representatives of Friends of Birmingham Botanical Gardens.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All materials must be received no later than **5 p.m. on Friday, October 11, 2024** or until qualified candidates have been selected.