

Hop Yard Technician

Employment dates: May – Sept 2018 (actual dates are negotiable prior to hire)

Job/Pay/weekly hours: Part-time/Internship, \$13.00/hour, 30 hours per week

Application Deadline: Friday, May 4, 2018

Summary: The Michigan State University Hop Extension team is excited to find a motivated individual to serve as the unit's 2018 research technician/ intern. This position will give a successful applicant the opportunity to:

- Conduct applied field work specializing in hops.
- Gain hands-on experience in multiple agricultural disciplines, including entomology, plant pathology, horticulture, and agronomy.
- Work independently and collaboratively with MSU researchers, industry stakeholders, and farmers to accomplish research objectives.

A successful applicant will:

- Have experience working outside and putting forth excellent effort to all assigned tasks.
- Have good attention to detail and the ability to be flexible with tasks and daily work.
- Be both a helpful team member and capable of conducting independent work.
- Be punctual, organized, responsible and possess an outstanding attitude and strong work ethic.
- Work efficiently in variable weather conditions, since the work is primarily outdoors.
- Be ok with manual labor (pruning, canopy management, and sampling) and the ability to lift up to 50 lbs.
- Undergo a routine background check conducted through Michigan State University prior to hire.
- Have access to their own mode of transportation to farm locations around northwest and west central Michigan.

Preferred qualifications:

- Enrollment in or completion of either a 2-year or 4-year college program, agricultural subject preferred.
- Previous experience in collecting data from experiments and Microsoft Office software.
- Previous work experience in a field related to plant science (farm labor, crop scouting, seasonal help, etc.).

To apply for this position, email the following materials:

- A current resume.
- A cover letter of your specific interest in this position (1 page or less).
- Contact information for 2 professional references (if not included on resume).

Please email these items to kleinsc7@msu.edu. You may address your letters to **Erin Lizotte** and **Rob Sirrine**, both MSU Extension Educators who will offer training, guidance and oversight of this position.