

Council on the Environment of New York City

Seven-Week Summer Internship

Urban Horticulturist—Learn It, Grow It, Eat It Program

Qualifications—College graduate or commensurate. Experience growing vegetables and herbs in an urban farm and/or community garden setting. Background or strong interest in locally grown food, health concerns, and environmental issues, especially healthy eating, food access, and community organizing. Enjoy working with teenagers.

The Council on the Environment of New York City (CENYC) is a privately funded citizens organization in the Office of the Mayor. CENYC promotes environmental awareness and works on solutions to environmental problems. In 2006, CENYC launched its Learn it, Grow it, Eat it (LGE) program in five high schools and three community gardens in the Morrisania section of the South Bronx. The program encourages young people to take control of their health through nutrition education and improved food access in their schools and communities.

Job Description—Working with the LGE team of project leader, senior horticulturist, and youth group leaders, the urban horticulturist will work in three community gardens and guide three groups of six teenage interns in all aspects of cultivating food crops. Specifically, the urban horticulturist will work with the teenagers to plan, plant, weed, water, harvest, and compost and engage in other garden upkeep tasks, as well as help develop garden-based educational projects. The urban horticulturist will also assist in evaluating the success of the summer program and the performance of the teen interns.

CENYC is an equal opportunity employer.

Schedule	Monday – Friday, 10 to 4 pm June 29 to August 17, 2009
To apply	Send cover letter and resume (e-mail preferred) by May 26, 2009.
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Compensation	\$18/hour