

New York Farm Bureau Summer Internship Program Overview



The NYFB internship program provides a university student with an immersive opportunity to develop professional skills, explore agricultural industry dynamics, and gain hands-on experience through an 8–10-week engagement with our organization. Interns will develop a comprehensive understanding of association operations while building meaningful workplace competencies.

Throughout the program, participants will network with colleagues and senior executives through targeted educational and professional development activities.

This internship is scheduled to run from the week of June 1st to the week of August 3rd. It's preferred that interns start no later than June 8th.

This is a paid position at \$20 per hour with an estimated 28 hours per week.

Policy Intern – New York Farm Bureau

Location: Albany, NY – must be located within commuting distance from our office at 159 Wolf Road, Albany NY 12205

Duration: 8-10 weeks

Reports To: Director of Public Policy

Position Overview

The Policy Intern will support New York Farm Bureau's advocacy efforts by assisting with research, analysis, and advocacy on key agricultural policy issues affecting farmers across New York State. This internship offers hands-on experience in state and federal-level policymaking, stakeholder engagement, and agricultural advocacy.

New York Farm Bureau (NYFB) is the state's leading agricultural advocacy organization, representing farmers from across the state. The NYFB policy team advocates for NYFB members' interests on state and national levels to guide legislative and regulatory proposals for the benefit of the agricultural community.

Key Responsibilities

- Conduct research and analysis on state and federal legislation/regulation impacting agriculture. Intern will complete a capstone project focused on researching a

current agricultural policy issue, culminating in a written report and/or presentation to staff.

- Assist NYFB policy team with responding to and assisting NYFB members with questions related to agricultural regulations, providing research-based guidance and directing them to appropriate resources.
- Join NYFB policy team for farm tours and meeting with farmers on policy issues impacting them (travel only within New York).

Qualifications

- Current undergraduate or graduate student in public policy, agricultural policy, political science, environmental studies, or a related field.
- Interest in agricultural policy issues.

Learning Outcomes

- Gain practical experience in agricultural policy development and advocacy.
- Develop an understanding of the state and federal legislative and regulatory landscape.
- Build professional connections with policymakers, industry leaders, and stakeholders.
- Enhance research, writing, and policy analysis skills.

How to Apply:

Candidates must submit a cover letter, resume, transcript and two letters of recommendation to be considered.

Applicants should specify their areas of interest and how their background provides them with the proper knowledge and abilities to excel in this internship in their cover letter.

Any questions and all application material should be sent to rstjacques@nyfb.org

The application deadline is April 15, 2026.