



Interns On-The-Ground at Wyoming Farms & Ranches

Growing beginning farmers & ranchers in Wyoming

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GrowinG Internships have started for interns awarded a stipend and the chance to participate. The program is intended to help new and beginning farms and ranchers gain meaningful experience in agriculture. Eligible individuals are 18 years or older who identify as someone who is ready to begin farming or has been involved in farming/ranching for less than 10 years.



Goals of the internship program are to provide hands-on internships at working farms and ranches for Wyoming's beginning farmers and ranchers in cooperation with state producer organizations and educational institutions. Currently seven interns have been paired with agricultural business at various locations across the state. Applications remain open for others interested.

GrowinG interns that are also degree-seeking students are encouraged to seek academic credit for participating in the GrowinG Internship Program. Academic credit must be arranged in advance between the student and an academic advisor with the granting educational institution.

Interns spend about 90 days on a host farm or ranch assisting with daily activities, learning from the manager and others. Successful candidates work with the site host to establish start and end dates once a stipend has been awarded. Taking part in at least one agricultural educational event within the time frame of the internship is also expected.

"Weekly work summaries will help the intern reflect on day-to-day work, educational experiences throughout the duration of internship," noted Ben Rashford one of the project coordinators. "Summaries will be posted to the project site to help others understand the benefits of participation."

"Work summaries are rolling-in fast, now that the internships have begun," noted John Hewlett project co-coordinator. "They may be viewed online at: [GrowinG-WY.org/post/Intern_Tales](https://www.growin-gwy.org/post/Intern_Tales)."

The project website also offers valuable links to a collection of monthly articles, helpful resources and materials intended to assist beginning farmers and ranchers answer questions and meet the challenges of getting started in agriculture.

The GrowinG program continues to accept applications for internships. Online application forms are available at: [GrowinG-WY.org](https://www.growin-gwy.org). Separate tabs provide links to the intern and host application materials. The site also offers background information on the overall project, as well as valuable links to a collection of helpful resources and materials.

For more information contact the GrowinG Internship Program at: information@GrowinG-WY.org or [GrowinG-WY.org](https://www.growin-gwy.org).

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