



Pantheon Agricultural Technology Internship

Approximately 5/24/2022 - 8/13/2022

The Pantheon: Knox County's co-working community and center of entrepreneurship. A Business and Innovation Theatre, our members are entrepreneurs, freelancers, startups, techies, remote workers, creatives, and small companies. The Pantheon will support an internship in the summer of 2022 to participate in entrepreneurial activities and immerse themselves in agricultural innovation and technology commercialization. This summer internship will provide opportunities to deepen your technical, business development, and entrepreneurial understanding in the field of controlled environment agriculture. We believe these positive experiences will enhance your current academic, personal growth, and future career choices.

Primary Areas of Focus

1. Controlled Environment Agriculture Feasibility Project
 - How can the local specialty crop market be complemented by a regional CEA strategy/opportunity?
 - Describe physical CEA structural options, cost, and benefits, leaning into the best fit based on our local environmental factors.
 - Who are the key players in the industry and market today, and what do they do?
 - What are the business opportunities and the projected financial opportunities associated with CEA?
 - How can we leverage local expertise in value-added produce marketing in a CEA strategy?
2. Participate in the Firestarter program
 - Firestarter is a cohort-based program connecting entrepreneurs with resources to commercialize their innovations. The six-week program covers various entrepreneurial topics, including business plan development, value proposition, ideation, validation, and market discovery.

3. Other potential projects

- WHIN/Pantheon Ag Alliance Pilot 2.0
- A "Panel of Problems" Workshop
 - Consumers
 - Farmers
 - Purdue/Pantheon Drone Demo Day Planning
 - Ag Innovate Challenge
 - Participation in the Watermelon Festival
 - Build Pantheon Ag Tech Awareness for Community

Deliverables

- End of the summer project presentation to Pantheon leadership and Pantheon Ag Tech Committee
 - Documents to be completed and delivered:
 - Summary Document/White Paper
 - Supporting Data and Analysis
 - Walking PowerPoint slide deck
 - Minimum of 5 unique on-farm visits (produce farms in Knox County)
 - Minimum of 5 unique supporting businesses or adjacent leaders

Scholar Details

- 12-week paid summer internship (Starting date: 5/24/2022, Ending date: 8/13/2022) in Vincennes, Indiana, at the Pantheon.
- Summer stipend plus apartment and utilities provided for the duration of the internship.
- Direct Supervisor – Nichole Like, CEO/President of The Pantheon
- Support
 - Drew Garretson, Pantheon Ag Tech Chair
 - Bridget Butcher, Pantheon Space Manager
- Weekly responsibilities:
 - Hours: Monday-Friday 8 AM-4 PM at The Pantheon (1-hour lunch)

To Apply

Please submit resume and a letter of interest to Nichole Like by April 1, 2022.

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