

The Don Bower Extension Experience Fund

Call for Application for Student Extension Internship/Experience

College of Family and Consumer Sciences

Submission Deadline is January 19, 2018

For

Maymester, Summer, and Fall Semesters 2018

In support of the College of Family and Consumer Sciences' Strategic Plan Goal 4 "*Serve the citizens of the state of Georgia through educational programs and community partnerships*" and Benchmark 2, "*Involving university students in outreach in Georgia and beyond by engaging students in service learning and encouraging internships through Cooperative Extension and other outreach programs*", the Don Bower Extension Experience Fund will provide funds to support student experiences and internships in UGA Extension through the UGA College of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Don Bower (PhD 1989) served the University of Georgia for thirty-three years. The majority of his work was within Public Service and Georgia Cooperative Extension. He was named the 2003 University of Georgia Walter B. Hill Distinguished Achievement Fellow in Public Service and Outreach. In 2004 he was named a Fellow of the National Council on Family Relations.

He served as 2005-2006 President of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. In 2008, he delivered the Annie E. Casey Foundation Family Strengthening Distinguished Lecture. He retired in 2008 as Professor and Department Head of the Department of Child and Family Development.

Upon his retirement, his colleagues and friends created and funded this named endowment in his honor.

The College invites currently enrolled undergraduate/ graduate students in a Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS) program at any of the following Georgia colleges or universities to apply for the "*Don Bower Extension Experience*": University of Georgia; Fort Valley State University, College of Agriculture, Family Sciences and Technology <http://www2.fvsu.edu/> Georgia Southern University, College of Health and Human Sciences <http://chhs.georgiasouthern.edu/> ; or Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, School of Human Sciences <http://www.abac.edu/academics/schools/human-science> .

Applications submitted January 2018 and selected for funding will provide students with Extension experience opportunities during the Maymester, summer or fall semesters 2018.

Applications will be accepted before midnight Friday, January 19, 2018. A stipend will be awarded for a student experience or internship (either undergraduate or graduate) to have an exposure to the field of Family and Consumer Sciences Cooperative Extension work. The student experience selected will be meet all of the following criteria.

1. Written plan with identified objectives relating to the student's major field of study. Plan includes supervisory commitment and letter of support from a FACS Cooperative Extension Agent/Professional or a FACS faculty member with an Extension appointment.
2. The plan is also approved by the student's academic advisor. Written plan meets the criteria set by the College and University's student experiential learning requirements <http://www.fcs.uga.edu/ssac/experiential-learning>.

3. Funding is requested for any of the following (up to \$1,000): stipend, costs associated with travel, conference fees, project supplies for which there are not funds available, or other needs related to a Cooperative Extension internship experience.
4. All expenditures from this fund will adhere to the University of Georgia spending policies.

All full-time undergraduate and graduate students in FACS programs at the University of Georgia; Fort Valley State University, College of Agriculture, Family Sciences and Technology <http://www2.fvsu.edu/> Georgia Southern University, College of Health and Human Sciences; or Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, School of Human Sciences <http://www.abac.edu/academics/schools/human-science> .

Students in good academic standing are eligible to apply.

1. Student Name
2. Institution
3. Major
4. Class standing
5. GPA
6. Academic advisor
7. Address (Street, City, Zip)
8. Email address
9. Phone number
10. Describe what you expect to gain from an internship/ student experience with Cooperative Extension (500 words or less).
11. Describe your proposed internship/student experience and list learning objectives.
12. Description for use of funds.
13. Attach a letter of recommendation on official letterhead from the Extension Professional who will be supervising your internship/student experience. Letter should include student objectives for the internship/student experience. Contact information should be included.
14. Attach a letter of recommendation on official letterhead from your academic advisor. Contact information should be included.

For more information about finding Extension internship sites, contact Deborah Murray Ed.D. Associate Dean for Extension and Outreach, [dmurray@uga.edu](mailto:dmurray@uga.edu), phone: 706.542.4860. For information about experiential learning the UGA College of Family and Consumer Sciences contact the FACS Student Success and Advising Center <http://www.fcs.uga.edu/ssac/welcome>.

Available Funding: \$1,000.00

Deadline for applying is midnight Friday, January 19, 2018.

Notification of funding decisions will be made by February 9, 2018.

**Deadline Extended to April 20th,  
2018 for Summer Internship**

**Notification May 1, 2018**

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