Design Your Own Sustainability Internship

Fall 2024

Sustainable Carolina seeks an intern with their own idea for a sustainability internship. The idea can involve any area(s) of sustainability. The student is responsible for submitting their idea within our online application. Once the intern is selected, the Sustainable Carolina team will work with the student to refine their project idea and create a schedule.

This is a paid ($2500 stipend with half paid at start of the semester and half paid half-way through the semester), semester long position, with an opportunity to continue into spring semester, based on performance and the student’s interest.

Sustainable Carolina is housed within the UNC Institute for the Environment and is the hub for campus sustainability. The University’s Climate Action Plan, Water Plan and Annual Sustainability Report are three major pillars of our communications strategy. It’s our priority to connect with students, faculty and staff to share the content within these documents.

We also aim to support University operations through sustainability research. This Design Your Own Internship allows the student to identify and research a specific area of sustainability and create deliverables based on that work.

Responsibilities

- Create a project proposal (to be submitted in our online application).
- Meet with Sustainable Carolina team to refine proposal and create a schedule for completing the project in one semester.
- Identify faculty and staff at the University that can assist in your project if needed.
- Provide deliverables to Sustainable Carolina at conclusion of the project.
- Identify ways deliverables can be shared with the campus community and beyond.

Qualifications

- Self-starter with motivation to complete independent project.
- Organizational skills to create a calendar and manage long-term and short-term project goals.
- Excitement to connect with people on campus who might assist in bringing the project to fruition.
- Excellent oral communication, writing, and research skills.