



Farmer's Market and Community Engagement Intern, Co-op CultivAction Fall & Winter 2024-5 Internship

This position is open to Concordia students in a degree program relevant to the internship's focus. If you would like to be informed of future internship opportunities, please sign up for [our internship mailing list](#) (1-3 minimal emails a semester).

Description of Organization

Co-op CultivAction's mission is to facilitate transitions towards food sovereign communities by practicing regenerative agriculture to nourish local populations, cultivate urban green spaces and to support sustainable food production. We see our work as a political act and look to create networks of reciprocity and connection with other groups who share a deep commitment to social justice and food sovereignty.

We grow fresh veggies, mushrooms and herbs at the Loyola campus of Concordia and in Senneville on the West Island. We distribute the food we grow to local community organizations and through our pay-what-you-can kiosk at the Concordia Farmers Market. We also run a wide variety of educational programs and workshops about food-growing.

Responsibilities and deliverables

Staffing the weekly farmer's market stand at the downtown campus (includes: set up, take down, answering questions, selling produce and signing members up, explaining membership and Pay What You Can Pricing system). The community engagement part of this job would include helping with organizing and logistics of any public facing events that co-op CultivAction holds. In the past this has looked like farm parties and visits, general meetings of the co-op membership, visioning meetings, political education, workshops etc.

Additionally, all interns are required to attend SHIFT's internship events and workshops as part of the internship hours.

Assets and Requirements

- Student must be registered as a Concordia student

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- Must be available to attend:
 - SHIFT's Internship Kick-Off Event (4:30-7 PM, 5th September 2024)
 - 2 virtual or hybrid workshops for professional development (dates TBD)
 - SHIFT's Internship Closing Event (4:30-7 PM, 11th April 2025)
- Have great people and communication skills
- Comfortable communicating in both English and French
- Have some service job experience
- Have experience with event planning and/or community organizing
- Hold a critical analysis of food systems and food sovereignty and hold strong social justice values
- Solid knowledge of the Concordia community ecosystem as well as the wider Tiohtià:ke food justice community is desirable

Duration

24 weeks total; 12 weeks in the fall 2024 semester and 12 in the winter 2025 semester

**Precise dates to be decided between the student and host organization. Possibility to renew over Summer 2025.*

Site of employment: In-person, various locations such as our Loyola and Senneville farms (265 chemin du Senneville), and Concordia Farmers Market at McKay and de Maisonneuve

**All SHIFT interns are also welcome to come [co-work at SHIFT's space](#) (LB-145) throughout the work week.*

Hours: 240 hours total (roughly 10 hours a week)

Remuneration: \$5,000

Please note that SHIFT payments are made as honorariums, sent in 3 installments.

Deadline to apply: Sunday, 28th July 2024

To apply, please [fill out Co-op CultivAction's application form](#).

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