



**TENNESSEE
STATE UNIVERSITY**

College of Agriculture

**Summer
Apprenticeship
Program**

*“Rapidly advancing agriculture
through knowledge, leadership
and opportunity.”*

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I. PURPOSE OF THIS PROGRAM:

- A. The College of Agriculture at Tennessee State University seeks to make students aware of its academic programs and the many career opportunities available to its graduates by providing an opportunity for students to participate in hands-on learning experiences in college's research and extension programs.
- B. The program's main goals are to:
- stimulate an interest in research and cooperative extension careers related to agricultural, consumer, and environmental sciences
 - provide greater awareness and information concerning financial assistance to attend TSU
 - offer a positive avenue for youth to spend a portion of their summer in experiential learning
 - afford high school students and recent high school graduates the opportunity to learn basic and advanced technologies essential for environmental stewardship at the local, state, national, and global levels

II. OVERVIEW OF THIS PROGRAM:

A. Participants

Up to thirty (30) students will be competitively selected to participate as Summer Apprentices.

B. Program Duration

The Summer Apprenticeship Program will run for four weeks during June and/or July.

C. Program Benefits

Program participants will –

- Be chaperoned by an upper division undergraduate or graduate students
- Be provided on-campus housing
- Be provided a university meal plan (three meals per day M-F, and two meals on Saturdays and Sundays)
- Be awarded a stipend of \$500 upon full completion of the program and a stipend of \$500 upon enrollment in the College of Agriculture at Tennessee State University.

D. Daily Activities

Monday – Thursday

- Each student will be assigned to work and study with a faculty mentor in the College of Agriculture.
- Each student will be assigned and expected to complete a research project to include data collection, analysis, and presentation and discussion of facts and conclusions.
- Participate in planned educational, cultural and recreational activities.

Friday – Sunday

Group activities to include educational field trips, tours and other specifics to be determined.

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CRITERIA

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE SUMMER APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM?

Eligible applicants must be:
U.S. Citizens

Requirements for the Summer Apprenticeship Program

JUNIOR (Completed 11th grade by start of program)

- Must have a minimum of 2.75 GPA (on a 4.0 scale). Please be reminded, selections are limited, therefore students with a GPA of 3.0 or above will be given preference.
- Provide two letters of recommendation from a teacher/counselor or community leader.
- Must be willing/able to participate in all program activities (no outside jobs allowed)
- Participants are not allowed to have vehicles.
- Must complete, sign and submit a copy of the program application by the deadline

SENIOR (INCOMING FRESHMAN by start of program)

- Must have a minimum of 2.75 GPA or 19 ACT (900 SAT). Please be reminded, selections are limited, therefore students with a 21 ACT (980 SAT), or overall weighted minimum 3.0 GPA will be given preference.
- By projected high school graduation date, must meet Admissions Unit requirements for Tennessee State University (TSU)
- Must have applied for and been admitted to TSU
- Must be willing to consider pursuing a degree in an area of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences or Human Sciences
- Provide two letters of recommendation from a teacher/counselor or community leader.
- Must be willing to participate in all program activities (no outside jobs allowed)
- Participants are not allowed to have vehicles.
- Must complete, sign and submit a copy of the program application by the deadline

Return Application by March 15 to:

Keisha Macklin

Tennessee State University

College of Agriculture

3500 John A. Merritt Blvd

Nashville, TN 37209

Phone: (615) 963-6520

Email: kmacklin@tnstate.edu

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APPLICATION DEADLINE – March 15

Please print clearly. Please complete, detach and return by deadline.

Name (First & Last) _____ Sex: Female Male

Permanent home address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Cell Phone Number _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____

Email Address: _____

Are you a U.S. Citizen? Yes or No

Name of high school currently attending _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Current Grade _____

Anticipated Graduation Date (Month & Year) _____

Unweighted GPA _____ ACT/SAT Score: _____

Have you applied for admission to TSU (Incoming Freshman Only)? Yes or NO

Have you been accepted to TSU (Incoming Freshman Only)? Yes or NO

What course of study (college major) will you pursue?

1ST _____ 2ND _____

Please limit your response to the spaces provided.

Briefly discuss why you want to participate in the Summer Apprenticeship Program.

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Please limit your response to the spaces provided.

Please list extracurricular activities, awards received and special recognition.

Briefly describe your college aspirations and career goals.

Briefly describe your interest in one of the following concentrations: 1. Agribusiness, 2. Agricultural Leadership, Education & Communication, 3. Biotechnology, 4. Environmental Sciences 5. Food and Animal Sciences/Pre-Veterinary Medicine/ Pre-Medicine, 6. Plant and Soil Science, 7. Child Development and Family Studies, 8. Fashion Merchandising or 9. Food & Nutritional Sciences (Dietetics)

Required – Two letters of recommendation from a teacher, or counselor and/or a community leader.
Note: * A official high school transcript must be submitted with application in order to be considered along with 2 letters of recommendation (see above) and ACT/SAT scores by March 15. * Participants are not allowed to have vehicles.

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Signature

Date