Cooperative Intern Recognition Award
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Recognizing tomorrow’s leaders today!

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Purpose:
The NECC encourages students to expand their career aspirations as they learn about cooperative-structured businesses.

The NECC Cooperative Internship Recognition Award (CIRA) recognizes outstanding students who successfully complete an internship with a NECC member in good standing.

Selected students will each receive a $1,000 award to be presented at the organization’s Annual Meeting & Leaders Forum, March 7, 2024 at the Marriott Syracuse Downtown, Syracuse, NY.

Eligibility:
- Must successfully complete an internship with a NECC member organization between January 1 and November 15, 2023.
- Must be a college junior, senior or graduate student with a minimum GPA of 3.0/4.0 studying in an accredited college in New England, New Jersey, New York, or Pennsylvania.
- Demonstrate successful completion of coursework in one of the following: production agriculture, agri-business, business management, finance, agricultural marketing, food science, agriculture and food policy.
- Complete and submit application by December 15, 2023 to Bobbie Severson at rmh27@cornell.edu

Application Process:
- The application will reflect the internship experience in the calendar year preceding year of the award.
- The application packet includes a current college transcript, faculty recommendation, and internship supervisor recommendation.
- The applicant will provide a letter of interest to the Review Committee that includes goals, description of internship, leadership experience, coursework.

FOR APPLICATION, contact Bobbie Severson, NECC Executive Secretary at: rmh27@cornell.edu
- Questions call Bobbie at 607.255.1987

Announcement:
Award announcements will be made February 1, 2024. Recipients will attend the NECC Leaders Forum and Annual Meeting as guests of the NECC. They will prepare a poster for display at the Leaders Forum and provide brief remarks about their internship experience.

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- Agri-Mark, Inc.
- CoBank, ACB
- Dairy Farmers of America
- Dairy One Cooperative
- Genex Cooperative, Inc.
- Farm Credit East, ACA
- Horizon Farm Credit, ACA
- Lowville Farmers Cooperative, Inc.
- National Grape Cooperative Association, Inc.
- Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc.
- Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc.
- Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC
- Dopkins and Co., LLP
- Farm Credit Consulting Services (FCCS)
- Harter, Secrest & Emery, LLP

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