



Vita Plus Loyal Dairy Technical Internship

Objective:

To provide the student with practical experience in dairy nutrition and technologies. The internship will provide on-farm experience working with Wisconsin dairy producers, their employees, and other allied industry that service and support their operations.

Experience includes:

- Job shadow and collaboration in a team environment doing on-farm nutrition and consulting with Vita Plus nutritionists
- Participate in team meetings and attend Vita Plus-sponsored regional meetings
- Opportunity to network and meet valuable industry contacts through continuing education meetings and seminars
- Interact with dairy producers that have incorporated different technologies and management styles into their operations
- Observe how a feed mill operates and the logistics behind getting feed made and out to dairy producers
- Involvement in forage decisions around harvest, storage, feed out, shrink, and the direct impact these areas have on forage quality and milk production
- Exposure to calf and heifer nutrition and production systems
- Exposure to transition cow management and feeding strategies
- Record analysis and nutritional approaches to dairy production
- An Insights Discovery® personality evaluation and team dynamics

The project(s) will require the ability to collaborate as well as to act independently to achieve the objectives. The intern will work with other Vita Plus team members to complete the project, assemble and analyze the data, and present the findings to the Vita Plus team and dairy producers that are involved in the data collection.

Past project examples:

- Robot Pellet Survey – compiled samples and analyzed income over feed cost compared to the nutrient analysis of the robot feed, PMR and different management styles
- Activity and rumination monitoring systems – producer feedback on various systems, observations around the variation among groups, and the use of other technologies to measure environmental impacts

Location and travel:

This position will be based in Loyal, Wisconsin. Most of the travel will be within the Vita Plus Loyal market area. This may include some overnights. All travel expenses will be reimbursed.

Compensation: \$15 per hour

Application Deadline: November 10, 2018

Please submit resume and cover letter electronically to:

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