

HORTICULTURE, B.S.

WISCONSIN EXPERIENCE

INTERSHIPS

Internships are a great way for Horticulture students to get hands-on horticultural experience. Many of our students intern at locations that vary from seed companies to wineries to public gardens. Horticulture students also have many opportunities to intern during the year on or near campus at facilities such as the Allen Centennial Garden (<https://allencentennialgarden.org/>), the UW Arboretum (<https://arboretum.wisc.edu/>), and the Agricultural Research Stations (<https://ars.wisc.edu/>).

RESEARCH

Horticulture students have many opportunities to get involved with research in the department. Students primarily find research opportunities by directly contacting faculty. Faculty can be found on the department's website by the directory list (<https://horticulture.wisc.edu/faculty-and-staff-2/faculty-and-staff/>), by crops studied (<https://horticulture.wisc.edu/research-and-outreach-2/crops-studied/>), or by program area (<https://horticulture.wisc.edu/research-and-outreach-2/faculty-by-program-area/>). Occasionally, research positions are posted on the Student Job Center.

STUDY ABROAD

Horticulture students have unique opportunities to contextualize the learning acquired in traditional face-to-face courses on campus by participating in short-term field experiences abroad led by program leaders from the Department of Horticulture.

Some of these programs are:

UW Tropical Horticulture in Costa Rica – students enroll in AGRONOMY/HORT 376 Tropical Horticultural Systems in the fall then participate in a two-week intensive field experience in Costa Rica during winter break. Students have the opportunity to visit tropical crop plantations (for example—banana, pineapple, cacao, coffee, palm oil) and contrast different agricultural practices (small and large scale, organic, conventional).

UW Food Systems and the Environment in Northern Japan – this two-week field study takes place in mid-August. In this program, students from UW–Madison are partnered with students from Obihiro University of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine, and through a combination of lectures and site visits, they will compare and contrast the landscape and ecology of Japan and Wisconsin.

HORTICULTURE SOCIETY

Connect with other Hort majors and those interested in horticulture by joining the Horticulture Society. The Horticulture Society is a professional, social, and educational group which provides a common ground for all students interested in horticulture to meet other students with the same interests.