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Just Food  
City Chicken Internship



**Volunteer Internship Description:**

NYC has a bustling Urban Agriculture and Community Garden Movement. Urban farmers and related organizations are always looking for ways to expand production, build better farm and garden systems, and provide food and education for their communities. In the last few years, more and more urban farmers and community gardeners have found that keeping chickens helps meet all of these goals and then some.

Here is your opportunity to get involved and expand production and educational opportunities throughout NYC. With the partnership of NYC's greening organizations and community gardeners, Just Food offers many resources to support community groups who keep chickens to improve access to good food in their neighborhoods. We provide workshops, consultations, a how-to guide, an online Meetup group, and we help groups build coops and get chickens.

To continue to support the now vibrant chicken movement in NYC, we need to evaluate our current programming and expand our current resources to meet the new needs of chicken keepers in NYC community-based projects and beyond.

As an intern you will work directly with Just Food's City Farms program ([www.justfood.org](http://www.justfood.org)) and in collaboration with Just Food City Chicken Projects.

**Internship Responsibilities:**

- ☐ Collaborate with Just Food City Chicken project partners to learn how Just Food could best continue to support them.
- ☐ Use Google SketchUp or similar design program to convert hand drawn coop designs into computer generated designs.
- ☐ Improve an existing interactive Google map for chicken keepers so that they can share where they buy feed, bedding, supplies, go to the vet, compost their waste, etc.
- ☐ Update educational materials, including the City Chicken Guide

**Qualifications:**

- ☐ Strong computer skills
- ☐ B.A., B.S. or equivalent work experience
- ☐ Reliable and able to work independently
- ☐ Background in chicken production or farming systems preferred
- ☐ Strong interest in urban agriculture
- ☐ Strong writing and communication skills
- ☐ Bi-lingual (English, Spanish) preferred

**Timeframe:**

- ☐ Start date before December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009
- ☐ Schedule is flexible
- ☐ 1 day per week minimum
- ☐ 2 month commitment minimum

**\*\*This position reports to Just Food's City Farms Training and Livestock Coordinator\*\***

Please direct all questions, cover letters and resumes to City Farms Program Training and Livestock Coordinator, Owen Taylor by November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009  
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