



### [Slow Food Denver Internships](#)

Slow Food Denver seeks motivated, energetic interns for our office to support the planning, development, fundraising, communications and outreach for our programming to celebrate good, clean and fair food. The ideal candidates will have a strong enthusiasm for our work, attention to detail, and willingness to learn and work in a collaborative environment.

**Location:** Denver, CO

**Reports to:** Slow Food Denver Programs & Outreach Manager

**Start date:** TBD

Slow Food is a global, grassroots organization with members in over 150 countries and 1,300 volunteer-led chapters around the world. The organization was founded in 1989 to counter the rise of fast food and the disappearance of local food cultures. Slow Food Denver is a chapter of Slow Food USA, which is a member of a worldwide food movement, Slow Food International. Members are the heart of the Slow Food movement, and local chapters organized by local leaders carry out the Slow Food mission in their communities. Members of Slow Food USA in the Denver and surrounding area are assigned to the Slow Food Denver chapter.

Slow Food Denver cultivates the enjoyment of local food with all members of the community to create a more just and sustainable food system. ***Below are several internship opportunities, we ask that you specify which internship you are applying to in your application.***

#### **Internship Opportunities:**

##### **1. [Celebrate Local Campaign](#)**

- The Eat Local Challenge is an event in the month of September that asks Coloradans to dedicate most or part of their diet to eating locally during the month. It helps celebrate Colorado growers, producers, and food purveyors while raising awareness of the many benefits of buying and eating locally grown products. By making local food choices you help build a strong local economy, reduce your environmental impact, and build meaningful connections in your community. This event is a fundraiser for Slow Food Denver to help support programming and our local food community.
  - *Intern responsibilities include creating and managing the fundraising platform, partnerships, communications, marketing and event planning associated with the event. More duties as assigned.*

##### **2. [Grant Writing and Fundraising Outreach](#)**

- Slow Food Denver operates on a small budget dependent on local fundraising and grant opportunities.
  - *Intern responsibilities include research of potential grant applications, applying for grant opportunities (using previous grant proposals as a foundation), and partnership building in the Denver area.*

##### **3. [After-School Enrichment Cooking from the Garden](#)**

- The Cooking from the Garden After-School Enrichment Program provides an interactive and multi-faceted learning environment transforming children from passive food consumers to creators, and in so doing increase their health

awareness. Children will discover their own taste preferences, learn to create dishes they enjoy, derive self-esteem and pride as they watch their plants grow, eat them and share them to with their community. This is a weekly after school program that promotes the use of your school garden by getting students to learn about planting, maintaining, and harvesting, and then using this food in relevant cooking classes.

- *Intern responsibilities include conducting outreach to schools, managing communications between schools and the Seed-to-Table cooking instructors and logistics of the program. Intern is also able to act as the class assistant and eventually instructor if they are interested.*

#### **4. Communications & Social Media**

- Slow Food Denver shares the stories of local producers, farmers and eaters that embody Slow Food in their lives in the Denver area and across the world. We hope to deepen the understanding of our programming by focusing writing opportunities on local events and partners.
  - *Intern responsibilities include conducting interviews & research for article and blog writing to be shared on Slow Food Denver's website, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram. Intern is also encouraged to connect with local media outlets to share stories and events.*

#### **5. Technology**

- Slow Food Denver is looking for a new website and email host for their domain name to improve their ability to communicate and share events. Support on updating the website design, content & Google AdWords are also a possibility
  - *Intern responsibilities include determining new website/email host, transferring all existing data to new host. Updating and utilizing Google AdWords. Making suggestions on other ways to streamline communication and media channels.*

#### **Qualifications:**

- Commitment to and enthusiasm for the Slow Food mission
- Ability to thrive in a small but collaborative office environment and event planning team
- Creativity, willingness to take initiative, and ability to work independently
- Strong organizational skills, including attention to detail and follow-through, with the ability to manage multiple projects simultaneously
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Proficiency with Word, Excel and Google Apps (e.g. Gmail, Drive, Sheets, Docs)
- Knowledge of food and farming issues
- Flexibility and good humor
- Commitment to justice and inclusion, especially with regard to race, class, gender and our food system
- Knowledge of Google Drive
- Spanish or other foreign language skills a plus
- Knowledge of Wordpress, MailChimp, Canva and Eventbrite is a plus

**Start Date:** September 2018

A minimum of 10 hours per week is required for all intern cycles. Interns are not required to work



out of the Slow Food Denver office (can be remote). **Internships are unpaid**; however, students may earn academic credit. Internships are open to non-student volunteers!

Please send a **brief cover letter and resume** with "Slow Food Denver Internship" in the subject line to: [hannah@slowfooddenver.org](mailto:hannah@slowfooddenver.org).

*Slow Food Denver is an equal opportunity employer. We strive to reflect the diverse community that works toward and cares about a healthy food system. Applications who contribute to this diversity are strongly encouraged to apply.*