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SIUC Ag Ed Department

FFA Cooperative Conference

The Cooperative Conference was held on June 7th-8th, 2018 at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. FFA members across the state were able to learn more about cooperatives by attending group workshops, visiting Neighborhood Grocery in Carbondale, and participating in group activities. Members also attended a presentation on electrical safety to learn about electrical cooperatives.



IAVAT Conference

The SIUC Agriculture Education Department had many students and graduates attend the Illinois Association of Vocational Agriculture Teachers Conference June 19-20. While they were there, they attended workshops, meetings, tours, and more. Pictured is Cody Carmon, Noah Gallion, Allyssa Barnes, and Krista Russel touring Mariah Mums and More while on the trip.

Internship Highlights



Vanessa Williams

"I am studying Agricultural Education with minors in Agribusiness Economics and Animal Science from Smithfield, Illinois. I am completing an internship at Diamond Ag. Research in Larned, Kansas this summer. I am taking stand counts, heights, and NDVI's on a wheat plot in the picture."



Jacob Gordon

"I am Jacob Gordon from Newman, IL. I am a Junior at SIUC majoring in Radio Television Digital Media, with a minor in Journalism. I am currently interning at WCIA-3, the CBS affiliate in Champaign, IL this summer. Throughout the internship, I will work with the station's producers and reporters and learn the ropes of how a commercial television runs. So far, I have helped produce a few shows and went out with reporters on a few stories."



Nicole Laskowski

"I'm working as a Sales intern for AgriGold. Recently, I've been helping with customer returns, delivering seed for replants, working on keeping our inventory sheet up to date for our warehouse, breaking down boxes, and helping plant test plots. In the near future I will also be putting up field signs, scouting fields, and talking to our customers about our Advantage Acre program."



Kendra Flood

“I am currently working for The Equity as the Agricultural Communications Intern. My duties include creating marketing and sale sheets, working with different departments to improve marketing material, creating intern training material, and representing the company at various events. Recently, I was given the privilege to attend the Illinois FFA State Convention to represent The Equity and to recruit students.”



Anthony Ochs

“My internship at the Doc Partin Ranch in St. Cloud, Florida has been a full of learning experiences and many hands-on opportunities. Vaccination, cutting horns, and doctoring bulls are just a few of the activities that our staff has worked on in the past few weeks. Also, they have taught me how to manage pastures to decrease weed population and increase better forage quality during extreme weather conditions.”



Destiny Swalve

“My internship is with the Whiteside County Farm Bureau and I am a Summer Educator. In this internship, I will be developing and implementing Farm Camp with other interns. Every week, we host a Farm Camp in a different place. In a four hour time span, we visit a farm, have a snack, play games, do crafts, and an agricultural lesson. The age span for Farm Camp is first through fifth grade.”

**Introducing...
QUIN COLSON**



I'm from Southern Illinois and have been in the area my whole life. I was active in FFA and 4-H throughout my younger days. I also was a member of CFFA here at SIU. After graduating in May with a Agriculture Systems and Technology degree, I was accepted to graduate school at SIU in Agribusiness Economics. My new position at SIU is CFFA Advisor and Ag Ed Club Advisor. I will also be putting on all SIU held high school FFA events (with the help of CFFA). I'm excited to help the SIU College of Agricultural Sciences!

**Congratulations
DR. HOWARD HEAVNER!**



Congratulations to Dr. Howard Heavner. Dr. Heavner recently graduated from SIUC with his doctoral degree in Agricultural Education. He served as the SIUC Collegiate FFA and Agricultural Education Club Advisor while working towards his degree. He has continued to make the department very proud as he just received the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Illinois Association of Vocational Agriculture Teachers Conference on June 20th.



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