

New Mexico State Fair Livestock Internship

The Annual New Mexico State Fair will be held September 7-17, 2023. The mission of the New Mexico State Fair is to preserve and enhance the agricultural, multi-cultural heritage, and historic legacy of New Mexico. During the Annual Event, the Fair features livestock, agricultural, and art exhibits, concessions, villages emphasizing cultural heritage, a carnival and live horseracing.

The Livestock Internship is geared towards those applicants interested in learning how to work, manage and execute livestock shows and a Junior Livestock Auction.

Interns will work with cattle, sheep, goats, hogs, poultry, rabbits, open & junior breeding cattle and more. Many of these species and breeds are overseen by a superintendent with which interns will have the opportunity to work alongside and network with.

Daily duties may include clerking for junior and open livestock shows, and helping show managers with miscellaneous tasks. Interns may also enter data, process livestock paperwork, collect health/brand papers, verify information and communicate with exhibitors both on the phone and in the barns. Attention to detail, computer skills, and a high level of professionalism are crucial to this internship. This position requires a lot of work both inside and outside and covers the entire fairgrounds.

Interns should expect to work every day from September 8th through September 17th.

Wage & Salary Information:

This is a paid internship, interns will also be provided hotel accommodations, 2 meals per day and select rodeo/concert tickets. Interns are responsible for their own transportation.

Application Instructions:

Please e-mail your cover letter, resume, and reference(s) page to <u>nmsf.livestock@expo.nm.gov</u>

Please include the following information:

- Name, address, phone number, email address
- Dates you are available
- Year in school, your major and GPA

- Any skills/experience that may qualify you for this internship, to include relevant computer and language skills.
- Minimum of two (2) references; one must be a member of your academic community (ie: a professor or advisor).

Applications will be open until Friday, July 20, 2023. You will be contacted for an interview either in person or via telephone. Students selected for this internship will be notified by the end of July.

If selected, contact your academic advisor or department internship coordinator to register for internship credits. We realize that the New Mexico State Fair overlaps with the first part of Fall classes and while professors are normally willing to work with you during this time, if selected for this internship, it is *your* responsibility to contact your professors in advance and arrange any necessary make-up work *before* you leave for the New Mexico State Fair.