**Young Scholars Internship Program**

Program Overview

What is the Young Scholars Program?

The Young Scholars Program (YSP) is a paid five-week summer internship program for high school students interested in agricultural, food, and environmental sciences. Selected students work 30 hours per week actively engaged in research under the guidance of a faculty mentor on the UGA Athens, Griffin or Tifton campus. During the program, students attend workshops and visit agricultural operations to gain exposure to the various fields of study and careers in agriculture.

Upon completion of the program, students present their research during the poster session at the Young Scholars Pre-Collegiate Research Conference held the final three days of the program on the UGA Athens campus.

**Scholars are expected to:**

Commit to the full five-week internship program.

Work and commute daily to either the Athens, Griffin, or Tifton campus.

Conduct supervised research in agricultural, food, and environmental science.

Participate in the three-day Young Scholars Pre-Collegiate Research Conference through oral and poster presentation.

**When:**

May 29 - July 9: Internship Program

July 10 - July 12: Young Scholars Pre-Collegiate Research Conference

**Application information:**

Application opens for submissions: November 1, 2023

Application submission deadline: January 31, 2024

Selection notification: April 1, 2024

**Eligibility requirements:**

Completion of sophomore year in high school.

16 years old by the program start date.

Sincere interest in scientific exploration in agricultural, food and environmental science; math and technology.

Completion of one high school science course, including laboratory, and one semester of algebra.

Submit a completed application that includes an essay and two teacher’s recommendation letters.

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• Interviews March 5,7,12,14, 2024

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• YSP Orientation May 28, 2024

• YSP Welcome BBQ May 29, 2024

• YSP Conference and ceremony July 9 - July 12, 2024