Livestock Production & Sales Intern

Organization: Anavery Fine Foods

Location: Grand Traverse County, Michigan

Position Type: Internship (Summer or Semester-based)

Start Date: Flexible

Compensation: TBD, housing available

About Us

Anavery Fine Foods is a diversified livestock farm producing high-quality meat and eggs with a mission: *Happy Animals Taste Better*. We operate our own farm and collaborate with nearby farms to create complete supply chains of all the major animal-based foods. We sell our products directly to retail and wholesale customers in our region of northern Michigan. We model our farm and business on operations such as Seven Sons, Polyface, and White Oak Pastures.

Internship Overview

This internship is designed as a 50/50 mix of production and sales. Interns will gain hands-on experience caring for livestock and managing farm systems, while also building skills in direct-to-consumer sales, wholesale distribution, and local food marketing.

Responsibilities

Production (approx. 50%)

Assist with daily animal care for hogs, cattle, sheep, and poultry

- Help with rotational grazing, pasture upkeep, and animal health monitoring
- Support egg collection, washing, packaging, and flock management
- Participate in seasonal projects (e.g., poultry expansion, turkey production)

Sales & Distribution (approx. 50%)

- Assist in preparing and delivering customer orders to restaurants, retailers, and farmers' markets
- Interact directly with retail and wholesale customers, representing the farm brand
- Track inventory, product flow, and customer preferences
- Support marketing efforts (social media content, newsletter contributions, signage, etc.)

Qualifications

- Current student in agriculture, agribusiness, food systems, or related program
- Strong interest in both livestock farming and local food sales
- Reliable, responsible, and eager to learn diverse aspects of a vertically integrated farm
- Comfortable with physical work outdoors and engaging directly with customers
- Valid driver's license preferred (for assisting with deliveries)

Schedule

- 20–40 hours per week, depending on availability and academic calendar
- Summer internships preferred; semester options available