MJC Agricultural & Environmental Sciences E-News

April 13, 2021

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- April 13th: Young Farmer Meeting
- April 13th: Last Day of Vet Tech's Pet Donation Drive
- April 16-18: Ag Ambassador Conference
- April 22: Scholarship Night
- April 26-30: Finals Week

Young Farmer Update

MJC Young Farmer Club

Last Meeting of the School Year

April 13th
7:00 pm

Vet Tech Donations

What Items Will Help:

Dogs:	Large Animals:	Cats:
. Food	. Grain	. Food
. Treats	. Halters/lead ropes	. Treats
. Leashes	. Shavings	. Beds
. Collars		. Bowls
. Beds		. Cat Litter
. Bowls		. Litter Boxes

Scholarship Night

Transfer Student Highlights

Click Here

Finals Week

Plant Sale

The Modesto Junior College Nursery held their annual plant sale on April 3rd, 2021. This event featured a 10% off discount on all plants available for purchase. This event was very successful, as we had many customers that purchased a great deal of our inventory. Social distancing and other COVID-safety measures were in place throughout the sale day. The nursery is open Tuesdays from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Jenna Moore, MJC Nursery Intern

Poultry Processing

Poultry Science class processed 100 chickens that we raised. The chickens were part of a feed trial conducted by the class. Processed chickens can be purchased at the MJC West Campus during egg sales beginning Friday, April 2nd.

Contact Mrs. Boyd via email at boydm@yosemite.edu with any questions

MANNRS Conference

Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Related Sciences (MANRRS)

If you are interested in joining the MANNRS Club at MJC,

contact Mr. Ryan Amaral
Amaralr@yosemite.edu

Scholarships

Don't forget to check out https://www.mjc.edu/instruction/agens/scholarships.php to see a detailed list of agriculture scholarships. Deadlines vary for each one, so check back often for updates!

Free Lunch on Wednesdays

Additional Opportunities

Western Region CCA offers college scholarships and teaching honorariums to professors

For information: Miranda Driver
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Email: miranda@calagjobs.com
Website: wrcca.org

The Western Region CCA (Certified Crop Advisor) program is excited to announce the second annual scholarship program for students interested in agronomy and obtaining their Certified Crop Advisor credentials. Scholarship recipients are the next generation of leaders in the agriculture industry.

Western Region CCA is offering four $1,000 scholarships to undergraduate students. One from each of the four following regions: Arizona/California desert region **(Phoenix → San Diego/Inland Empire)**, California coast region **(Oxnard → Salinas → Napa Valley)**, California northern valley region **(Merced → Redding)** and California southern valley region **(Madera → Bakersfield).**

The scholarship application features a series of questions and will be scored on the following:

- Describe your coursework, year in school, GPA, and major
- Describe any scholarships, awards, and other forms of recognition you have received
- Describe your leadership involvement at school and in the community
- Describe your professional commitment to agriculture and work history (if applicable)
- Describe your pathway to earning the certified crop advisor credential in the near future

Scholarship applications will be submitted online through the scholarship homepage (www.wrcca.org). In September, winners will be honored at the 2021 Crop Consultant Conference.

In addition to the scholarship program, WRCCA will be offering honorariums to professors who teach agronomy related coursework. There are four $500 honorariums available, one for each scholarship region (Coast, Desert, North Valley, South Valley). To apply, write and submit a plan of how you would utilize the funds to help students learn more about agronomy. Plans will be submitted online through the scholarship homepage (www.wrcca.org).

The Western Region CCA program is committed to refining knowledge and skill of those making important decisions in the field. CCAs work with producers to help make economically and environmentally sound decisions. This counsel is the result of the hours spent gaining knowledge and perspective through requirements to become a certified crop adviser. CCAs play a vital role working with producers to ensure sustainability and long-term success for agriculturalists.

"With modern agriculture and regulatory hurdles and all of the challenges we face, you need to be broadly trained and the CCA is a great first step." Karl Wyant, Western Region CCA Vice President

It is the board's hope that scholarship recipients are the next generation of certified crop advisers leading the way in the agriculture industry.

For more information and to find the formal application, visit wrcca.org. Reach out to Miranda Driver at miranda@calagjobs.com with any questions regarding the scholarship or application process.

THE K·COE EXPERIENCE

A Virtual Summer Leadership Program

June 4-5 or June 15-16

K-Coe Isom invites student leaders who are change makers and risk takers to join us this summer for this year's K-Coe Experience.

As a top student in accounting, agribusiness, consulting, data analytics, finance, public policy, sustainability, or a related major, we'd like to offer you an opportunity to grow and develop further in your leadership abilities! You'll participate in interactive live video sessions designed to help you learn more about yourself and your strengths, think more creatively and critically, collaborate more effectively within a team, and get a head start on your career discovery process.

What Can I Expect?
During this virtual experience, you will have an opportunity to network and collaborate with other student leaders and professionals from K-Coe Isom, develop your professional skills, and gain insights about keys to a successful career. These insights include:

- Better understand your strengths and style
- Learn about your emotional intelligence (EQ) and ways to strengthen it
- Create more productive work relationships
- Own your attitude
- Exemplify the characteristics of a business advisor
- Plus...You're guaranteed early access to interview with K-Coe Isom for future full or part-time opportunities.

Who's Invited to Apply?
If you're 1-3 years away from graduation (or the start of your career), have a 3.0 or greater GPA, and demonstrate grit, curiosity, a desire to make an impact, this is the event for you!

What is the Format?
The two-session online event will be held virtually. Applicants are invited to select the option that works best for your schedule. To get the most out of the experience, we ask that you commit to joining us for both days of the session you select.

Session One:	OR	Session Two:
Friday, June 4 from 5 - 8pm CST and Saturday, June 5 from 10am - 2pm CST		Tuesday, June 15 from 2 - 5pm CST and Wednesday, June 16 from 10am - 2pm CST

How Much?
Free! There is no cost for the K-Coe Isom sponsored event. We cover the complete program and ship out a swag box to each participant.

Why Now?
Because the time is now to invest in your future. If you're seriously considering a career in ag consulting or public accounting, this is a great opportunity to explore the profession, engage with our people, and develop key success skills that will benefit you in life, school, and your career.

I'm Interested. What's Next?

Complete a quick online application here by **April 15, 2021**.

Then, stay tuned! Selections will be made and candidates notified by **May 15, 2021**.

For more information, contact us at:
careers@kcoe.com

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K-Coe Isom is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

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TRANSFER CENTER

MODESTO JUNIOR COLLEGE

SPRING 2021 CALENDAR OF VIRTUAL EVENTS

All Events are Virtual – Reserve your spot online @ mjc.edu/transfer

MARCH

2	Cal State East Bay Fall 2021 Application Deadline		
2	Fresno State (Appointments Required)	9:00am – 3:00pm	Online
2	University of the Pacific (Appointments Required)	9:00am – 4:00pm	Online
3	UC Merced Drop-In Zoom Session	10:00am – 1:00pm	Online
4	Stan State (Appointment Required)	9:00am – 4:00pm	Online
8	Stan State What's Next Zoom Presentation	Noon – 1:00pm	Online
8	Stan State STEM (Appointment Required)	9:00am – 4:00pm	Online
11	Fresno State (Appointments Required)	9:00am – 3:00pm	Online
11	UC Merced (Appointment Required)	9:00am – 3:00pm	Online
16	Sacramento State (Appointment Required)	9:00am – 3:00pm	Online
16	Fresno Pacific University (Appointment Required)	12:30pm – 5:30pm	Online
17	Fresno State (Appointments Required)	9:00am – 3:00pm	Online
17	UC Merced Drop-In Zoom Session	10:00am – 1:00pm	Online
18	Stan State (Appointment Required)	9:00am – 4:00pm	Online
23	Fresno State (Appointments Required)	9:00am – 3:00pm	Online
23	University of the Pacific (Appointments Required)	9:00am – 4:00pm	Online
25	UC Merced (Appointment Required)	9:00am – 3:00pm	Online
30	Stan State What's Next Zoom Presentation	Noon – 1:00pm	Online
31	UC Merced Drop-In Zoom Session	10:00am – 1:00pm	Online
31	Planning Early for UC TAG Workshop	Noon – 1:00pm	Online

APRIL

1	Stan State (Appointment Required)	9:00am – 4:00pm	Online
1	Fresno State (Appointments Required)	9:00am – 3:00pm	Online
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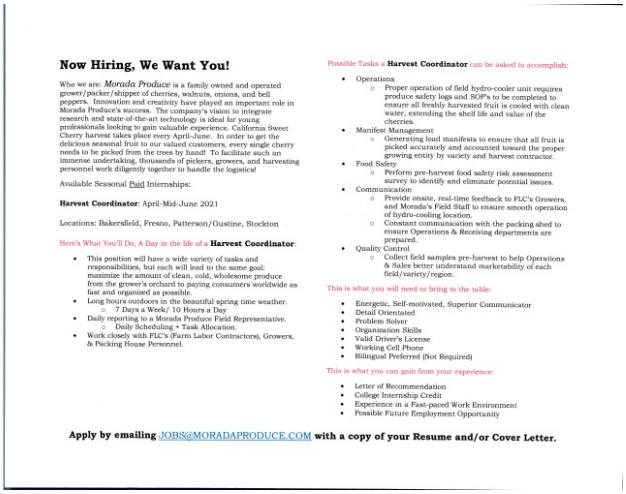
6	Fresno State (Appointments Required)	9:00am – 3:00pm	Online
8	UC Merced (Appointment Required)	9:00am – 3:00pm	Online
8	Planning Early for UC TAG Workshop	5:00pm – 6:00pm	Online
13	Sacramento State (Appointment Required)	9:00am – 3:00pm	Online

Reserve your spot today!
Transfer Center – mjc.edu/transfer (209) 575-6239
Updated: 2/26/2021

Job Opportunities



Now Hiring, We Want You!

Who we are: *Morada Produce* is a family owned and operated grower/packer/shipper of cherries, walnuts, onions, and bell peppers. Innovation and creativity have played an important role in Morada Produce's success. The company's vision to integrate research and state-of-the-art technology is ideal for young professionals looking to gain valuable experience. California Sweet Cherry harvest takes place every April-June. In order to get the delicious seasonal fruit to our valued customers, every single cherry needs to be picked from the trees by hand! To facilitate such an immense undertaking, thousands of pickers, growers, and harvesting personnel work diligently together to handle the logistics!

Available Seasonal Paid Internships:

Harvest Coordinator: April-Mid-June 2021

Locations: Bakersfield, Fresno, Patterson/Gustine, Stockton

Here's What You'll Do, A Day in the life of a **Harvest Coordinator**:

- This position will have a wide variety of tasks and responsibilities, but each will lead to the same goal: maximize the amount of clean, cold, wholesome produce from the grower's orchard to paying consumers worldwide as fast and organized as possible.
- Long hours outdoors in the beautiful spring time weather.
  - 7 Days a Week/ 10 Hours a Day
- Daily reporting to a Morada Produce Field Representative.
  - Daily Scheduling + Task Allocation.
- Work closely with FLC's (Farm Labor Contractors), Growers, & Packing House Personnel.

Possible Tasks a **Harvest Coordinator** can be asked to accomplish:

- Operations
  - Proper operation of field hydro-cooler unit requires produce safety logs and SOP's to be completed to ensure all freshly harvested fruit is cooled with clean water, extending the shelf life and value of the cherries.
- Manifest Management
  - Generating load manifests to ensure that all fruit is picked accurately and accounted toward the proper growing entity by variety and harvest contractor.
- Food Safety
  - Perform pre-harvest food safety risk assessment survey to identify and eliminate potential issues.
- Communication
  - Provide onsite, real-time feedback to FLC's Growers, and Morada's Field Staff to ensure smooth operation of hydro-cooling location.
  - Constant communication with the packing shed to ensure Operations & Receiving departments are prepared.
- Quality Control
  - Collect field samples pre-harvest to help Operations & Sales better understand marketability of each field/variety/region.

This is what you will need to bring to the table:

- Energetic, Self-motivated, Superior Communicator
- Detail Orientated
- Problem Solver
- Organization Skills
- Valid Driver's License
- Working Cell Phone
- Bilingual Preferred (Not Required)

This is what you can gain from your experience:

- Letter of Recommendation
- College Internship Credit
- Experience in a Fast-paced Work Environment
- Possible Future Employment Opportunity

Apply by emailing JOBS@MORADAPRODUCE.COM with a copy of your Resume and/or Cover Letter.

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Salida, CA 95368

Employment Application — Submit application to valleyag.tracy@gmail.com

Applicant Information

Full Name: _____ Date: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____
Street Address Apartment/Unit #

_____
City State ZIP Code

Phone: _____ Email _____

Date Available: _____ Social Security No.: _____ Desired Salary:$ _____

Position Applied for: _____

Are you a citizen of the United States? YES ☐ NO ☐ If no, are you authorized to work in the U.S.? YES ☐ NO ☐

Have you ever worked for this company? YES ☐ NO ☐ If yes, when? _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? YES ☐ NO ☐

If yes, explain: _____

Education

High School: _____ Address: _____

From: _____ To: _____ Did you graduate? YES ☐ NO ☐ Diploma: _____

College: _____ Address: _____

From: _____ To: _____ Did you graduate? YES ☐ NO ☐ Degree: _____

Other: _____ Address:

From: _____ To: _____ Did you graduate? YES ☐ NO ☐ Degree: _____

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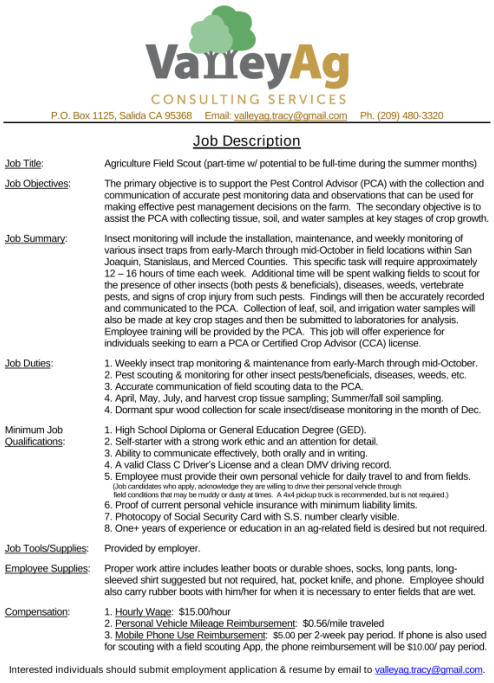

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Job Description

Job Title:	Agriculture Field Scout (part-time w/ potential to be full-time during the summer months)
Job Objectives:	The primary objective is to support the Pest Control Advisor (PCA) with the collection and communication of accurate pest monitoring data and observations that can be used for making effective pest management decisions on the farm. The secondary objective is to assist the PCA with collecting tissue, soil, and water samples at key stages of crop growth.
Job Summary:	Insect monitoring will include the installation, maintenance, and weekly monitoring of various insect traps from early-March through mid-October in field locations within San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Merced Counties. This specific task will require approximately 12 – 16 hours of time each week. Additional time will be spent walking fields to scout for the presence of other insects (both pests & beneficials), diseases, weeds, vertebrate pests, and signs of crop injury from such pests. Findings will then be accurately recorded and communicated to the PCA. Collection of leaf, soil, and irrigation water samples will also be made at key crop stages and then be submitted to laboratories for analysis. Employee training will be provided by the PCA. This job will offer experience for individuals seeking to earn a PCA or Certified Crop Advisor (CCA) license.
Job Duties:	1. Weekly insect trap monitoring & maintenance from early-March through mid-October. 2. Pest scouting & monitoring for other insect pests/beneficials, diseases, weeds, etc. 3. Accurate communication of field scouting data to the PCA. 4. April, May, July, and harvest crop tissue sampling; Summer/fall soil sampling. 4. Dormant spur wood collection for scale insect/disease monitoring in the month of Dec.
Minimum Job Qualifications:	1. High School Diploma or General Education Degree (GED). 2. Self-starter with a strong work ethic and an attention for detail. 3. Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing. 4. A valid Class C Driver's License and a clean DMV driving record. 5. Employee must provide their own personal vehicle for daily travel to and from fields. (Job candidates who apply, acknowledge they are willing to drive their personal vehicle through field conditions that may be muddy or dusty at times. A 4x4 pickup truck is recommended, but is not required.) 6. Proof of current personal vehicle insurance with minimum liability limits. 7. Photocopy of Social Security Card with S.S. number clearly visible. 8. One+ years of experience or education in an ag-related field is desired but not required.
Job Tools/Supplies:	Provided by employer.
Employee Supplies:	Proper work attire includes leather boots or durable shoes, socks, long pants, long-sleeved shirt suggested but not required, hat, pocket knife, and phone. Employee should also carry rubber boots with him/her for when it is necessary to enter fields that are wet.
Compensation:	1. Hourly Wage: $15.00/hour 2. Personal Vehicle Mileage Reimbursement: $0.56/mile traveled 3. Mobile Phone Use Reimbursement: $5.00 per 2-week pay period. If phone is also used for scouting with a field scouting App, the phone reimbursement will be $10.00/ pay period.

Interested individuals should submit employment application & resume by email to valleyag.tracy@gmail.com.

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Repairing hydraulic and electrical systems

Repairing engines, transmissions and drive trains

Trailer repair on Walking floors, and Belly trailers. (both old and newer models)

Welding and CAD Program experience a plus

Qualifications:

- 3 year experience
- must pass a background check

Job Type: Full-time

Wages: DOE

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Job Description

You are a Jack-of-all-trades. You as comfortable on the phone as you are in person as you will represent the face of Stanislaus Farm Supply. Our customer service representatives interact with customers to provide and process information in response to inquiries, concerns and requests about products and services. This role requires you to work directly with the general public, both farmers and city dwellers, to answer and deliver superior knowledge ranging from animal health to plant science to tractor parts. You don't have to be an expert on it all, but have the desire and ability to learn quickly, think on your feet, and get answers quickly. Patience is a virtue and nowhere is this more true than in customer service as you will often be the one listening and handling customer complaints and helping to resolve any issues in a way that accurately reflects the company values.

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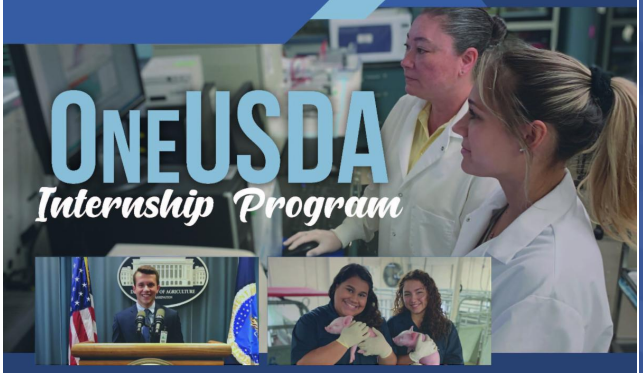

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Internship Program

Start your career with an internship at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Through the federal Pathways Program, USDA offers paid federal internships at USDA agencies and offices around the country. These internships may convert to full-time positions upon graduation.

The program is available to students who are currently enrolled in qualifying educational programs or institutions from high school to graduate level.

USDA is hiring interns for a broad range of occupational fields for the summer, including:

- Agribusiness, Contracting, Procurement, and Industry
- Biological Sciences (e.g., natural resources management, forestry, wildlife biology, fish biology, ecology, botany, rangeland management, recreation)
- Engineering & Architecture
- Financial Management
- General Administration and Office Support
- Information Technology
- Veterinary Science

Applications for the summer 2021 session will close on NOVEMBER 15, 2021.
For more information, visit www.usda.gov/internships

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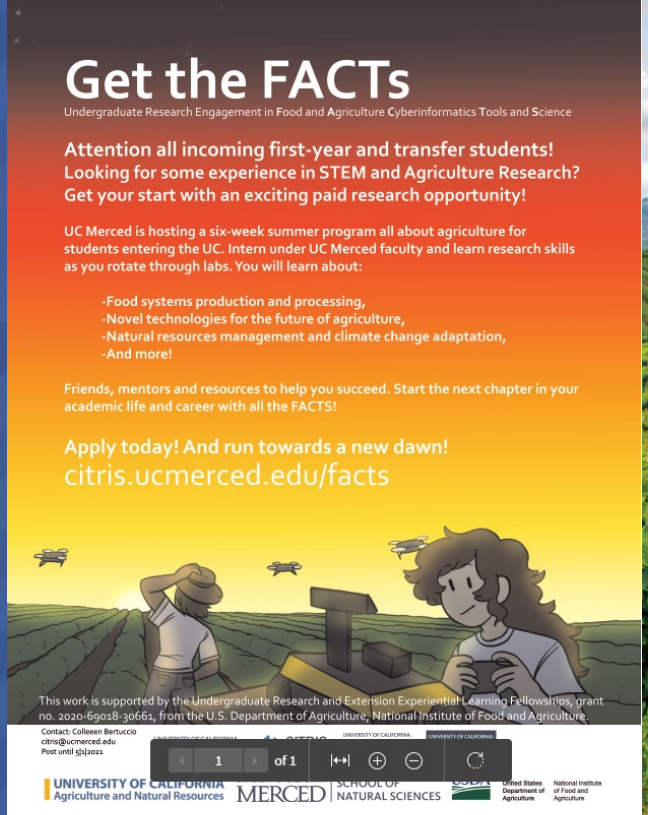

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THANK YOU Stanislaus County Farm Bureau for sponsoring and helping our department develop and further our outreach to our community and our students.

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