Title
Contamination Reduction Intern

Description
Energy Services and Sustainability (ESS) is accepting applications for the Contamination Reduction Internship position(s). ESS is an element of the Facilities Operations and Development department at The Ohio State University and serves as the university energy and sustainability office within operations. ESS’s goal is to continually position Ohio State as a global leader in sustainability across all university functions including operations, research and academia.

Responsibilities
Several interns will be hired to perform the positions’ responsibilities as listed below:

1. **Studying Contamination Materials**
   a. Performing waste audits to understand the composition of the contaminants within the recycling. Waste audits may be for a large load of recycling or from recycling from a specific building.
   b. Keeping accurate records of the types of contaminants, where they came from, and how much of the recycling stream was comprised of that contaminant.
   c. Periodically, it will be necessary to visually inspect the contents of dumpsters and trash/recycling bins at specific buildings to understand their contents.

2. **Remove Contaminants**
   a. Not only will these interns be studying the contaminants, but it will be necessary to remove those contaminants that may cause the load to be rejected. This includes working outside to manually remove those items.

3. **Contaminant Reduction Plan**
   a. Research and benchmark programs at peer institutions.
   b. Using the data from the audits in step one, create specific improvement plans for each building audited.
   c. Create presentation/educational material to share with the university employees/students to educate them on the issues.

Location
This position will work primarily at the Recycling and Refuse Services Shop located at 2655 Kenny Road on west campus. For a portion of the time, this position will work at the Energy Services and Sustainability office at 2000 Tuttle Park Place, Maintenance Building located next to Ohio Stadium.

Time Commitment
Minimum of 10 hours per week; ideally the candidates would be able to work in at least 2 separate days at a minimum of a straight 3-hour period, as this is necessary in order to complete the tasks of the position.

Start Date
Beginning of spring semester or earlier

Compensation
$9/hour

To Apply
Send a resume and cover letter to gillund.2@osu.edu with the email subject “ESS Contamination Reduction Internship”