NCR Country Club & GT Environmental Consulting Firm

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NCR Country Club
Dayton, Ohio

Mission
NCR Country Club’s mission is to provide a balanced environment for its members, community, and the local wildlife. They ensure that each are provided for at the highest level through expert course maintenance and local programs.

Background
Through this internship was available through employed there previously. As I started my landscape architecture minor, I saw that this was an amazing opportunity to continue working in nature and better understand landscape architecture.

Environmental Aspects
NCR Country Club consists of 400 acres of pristine wildlife hosting a wide variety of local flora and fauna native to Ohio.

Site Work
- Seven-Eleven and Speedway Children’s Miracle Network Tournament for charity
- Trained 9 new employees on walk-mowing greens
- Worked with heavy machinery including fairway mowers, greens rollers, aerifiers, tee mowers, and rough mowers.
- Worked with light machinery including green walk-mowers, regular lawn mowers, weed whackers, and a few smaller tools.
- Removed sod and soil to plant flowers, then mulched the beds, and continuously water during the year.

Experiences
Through this internship I gained respect for not only the landscape, but also the work that goes into landscape architecture projects to bring out and maintain a design. I had a positive experience with this internship. In the future, I hope to be able to work in similar jobs and would recommend it to students interested in this line of work.

GT Environmental Consulting Firm
Columbus, Ohio (Asynchronous work)

Mission
GT Environmental Consulting Firm’s mission is to provide private industries and the government with environmental consulting services. Services include the following:
- Air permitting
- Water permitting
- Solid and hazardous waste planning
- Phase 1 and 2 site investigations
- Resource Conservation and Recovery Act closures
- Remediation planning and oversight services
- Brownfield redevelopment

Background
This internship was suggested by Ben Dawson, an Ohio State alumni, who also led me to the field of E.E.D.S.. He reached out to offer an internship knowing I was a recent E.E.D.S. student and was looking for opportunities to explore. I met with Mrs. Jamie Zawila, an owner and VP, in the summer of 2022 and have been working with them asynchronously ever since.

Experiences
While working for GT, I gained valuable experience navigating Microsoft Excel, GIS systems, and research databases, while also growing my communication and time management skills. Through this internship, I will be able to leverage these skills for future jobs related to my major.

Upcoming Plans
With this experience I will be able to implement past techniques and environmental designs and bring them to life in future designs. I will also be able to transfer these leadership, communication, and work skills that this internship has instilled in me. This will help me to deliver the best results in upcoming jobs.

Work
- Helped organize databases for Geographic Information Systems (GIS) use
- Actively managed research systems
- Conducted community outreach through phone calls
- Worked on financial estimates
- Actively managed district budgets and projection for 6 districts ranging from $500,000 to $2,000,000 annual budgets

Recommendations
- Try new things, its’ the best way to learn new skills and find out what you are passionate about.
- If you are looking for an internship, try to find one that has some in-person aspects, that will help build your skills and could offer more work.

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