

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY Spring 2027

Just Food of Douglas County seeks a University Honors student intern for the Spring 2027 semester. This internship offers KU students a meaningful opportunity to gain hands-on professional experience in a growing nonprofit while helping advance Just Food's mission to increase food security in Douglas County.

This internship can satisfy the Professional Development & Social Entrepreneurship Enhanced Learning Experience (ELE) requirement for students completing the University Honors Program. Interns will work under the supervision of the Development Director and alongside Just Food staff and volunteers. Depending on the student's selected track, interns will gain experience in nonprofit management, fundraising, marketing and communications, community engagement, program development, volunteer engagement, and impact measurement.

Time Commitment & Award

Students will receive an \$1,800 award for their participation during the Spring 2027 semester, based on an expected commitment of 8–10 hours per week.

Interns must be available for at least six hours in person each week at Just Food. Regular office hours are:

- Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
- Tuesday & Thursday: 9 a.m.–6 p.m.

The remaining internship hours may be completed remotely, depending on the selected internship track and project needs.

At the conclusion of the internship, students will receive professional feedback through a formal evaluation with their supervisor.

Internship Tracks

Students may choose between two tracks based on their interests, academic focus, and career goals.

Development & Marketing Track

Support Just Food's fundraising, marketing, communications, and community outreach efforts.

Responsibilities may include:

- Creating graphics, written content, and social media campaigns
- Assisting with grant research and writing
- Supporting fundraising events and donor engagement
- Developing marketing strategies and community storytelling
- Supporting communications and outreach initiatives
- Helping communicate Just Food's programs and impact to the community

Community Impact Track

Support programs focused on food access, education, gardening, and community engagement.

Responsibilities may include:

- Assisting with community gardening, cooking, and nutrition programs
- Supporting events and workshops that promote sustainable growing and healthy eating
- Engaging with volunteers, shoppers, and community partner organizations
- Collecting and analyzing program data to help measure impact
- Supporting community outreach and engagement efforts
- Assisting with program development and implementation

Minimum Qualifications

Applicants must:

- Be an undergraduate student in the University Honors Program, majoring in public administration, communications, marketing, social welfare, environmental studies or a related field.
- Meet the University Honors Program requirements for good academic standing and progression.
- Be able to commit 8–10 hours per week during the Spring 2027 semester, including at least six hours in person at Just Food.
- Demonstrate strong communication, organization, initiative, and interpersonal skills.
- Be comfortable working independently as well as collaboratively with staff, volunteers, and community members.
- Have an interest in nonprofit work, community engagement, food access, social entrepreneurship, or a related area.

Previous nonprofit experience is welcome but not required. Just Food values curiosity, reliability, creativity, and a willingness to learn.

Application & Selection

Application deadline: Thursday, October 22, 2026

Please submit a resume and cover letter through the University Honors Program Internship portal on the University Honors Program website. Selected applicants will be invited to interview with Just Food before the end of the Fall 2026 semester.

About Just Food

Just Food of Douglas County is a food bank and pantry providing healthy food to more than 13,000 Douglas County residents each year. Since 2009, Just Food has expanded its work to include community gardening, cooking and nutrition education, food recovery, and food distribution through more than 30 partner pantries, including local schools and universities.

Through these programs, Just Food works to increase access to healthy food, reduce barriers to health and well-being, and help build a healthier, more resilient Douglas County community.

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