The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences CALS at the University of Florida provides a broad-based program of study giving the student a sound foundation in the fundamentals of agriculture and life sciences so that he or she may function as a professional in the industry. The curriculum is flexible, provides a broad background in biological, business and social sciences, and can provide the student with special interests such as the opportunity for field experience or independent study. The purpose of this internship program is to provide the student an opportunity to experience a different culture as a working member of that society.

Internships involve work experience on farms, in businesses, in laboratories or in related governmental agencies. Students will register for AXX 4941 or 6941 (A Full-time Practical Work Experience®) for 3 credits per 1 month of employment. The training is intended to provide students with an applied work experience, which is both practical and educational.

**PURPOSE**

a. Provide the student with a practical work experience under appropriate supervision by experienced and competent personnel in another country.

b. Fulfill individual interests and needs of the student and provide cultural experiences not be readily found in the classroom or laboratory.

c. Apply theory to actual work experience and explore the differences of country.

d. Critically analyze business or agency operations and compare them to US standards.

e. Develop self-confidence and leadership abilities while working among others from a different background.

f. Explore the possible avenues for international work as it relates to their field of interest.

g. Develop personal contacts with leaders in the industry worldwide.

h. Develop international career placement opportunities.

i. Identify strengths and weaknesses in student's own educational program and/or that of their department and University.

j. Earn up to nine (9) credit hours toward graduation.