



Slow Food is a global, grassroots organization founded in Italy in 1989 to counter the rise of fast food and the disappearance of local food cultures. Today, it is present in over 160 countries, with about 150 chapters in the United States. Through programs, education, advocacy and events, Slow Food inspires individuals and communities to change the world through food that is good, clean and fair for all.

Slow Food Denver is one of the many local chapters that carry out the work of Slow Food in their communities. Seeking dramatic and lasting change in the local food system, Slow Food Denver reconnects the Front Range communities with the people, traditions, plants, animals, fertile soils and waters that produce our food. We believe that our everyday choices, starting with what we eat and feed others, can contribute to a better future for the generations to come.

We are a small, dynamic and passionate Slow Food office that has grown significantly over the past few years. In addition to our successful local programming, Slow Food Denver has led three major national initiatives including Slow Food USA's National School Garden program, the Slow Meat conference and Slow Food's flagship festival in the US – Slow Food Nations.

Slow Food is an equal opportunity employer. We strive to reflect the diverse community that works toward and cares about a healthy food system. Applicants who contribute to this diversity are strongly encouraged to apply.



Youth Education Intern

Location: Denver Metro Area

Reports to: Slow Food Denver Youth Education Coordinator

Start date: January 2023

Time commitment: 5-10 hours per week

Pay: \$500 per term, possible academic credit for students

Slow Food Denver seeks motivated, energetic interns for our Youth Education program to support our efforts to provide education to youth in the Denver area surrounding good, clean and fair food. The ideal candidates will have a strong enthusiasm for our work, attention to detail, and willingness to learn and work in a collaborative environment. Internships are also open to students and non-student volunteers.

The primary responsibilities of this internship will revolve around supporting our Youth Education programming. SFD's Youth Education program consists of our Lil' Sprouts and Seed to Plate classes, which provide garden and taste education to children in schools across the Denver Metro area. Lil' Sprouts is Slow Food Denver's ECE-5 enrichment program that teaches children the entire seed-to-plate process, while the Seed to Plate program follows all of the same curriculum but is taught to students in middle and high school. Our interactive and multi-faceted classes transform children from passive food consumers to creators. Students who take our classes get a weekly meal with fresh local produce and learn healthy eating habits. They then bring their knowledge into their homes, inspiring siblings and family members to learn about their food systems and cook more nutritious food. Using a learner-driven approach inspires students to develop healthy, lifelong eating habits by making the connection between where food comes from and how it is prepared. Kids will try new foods, make delicious meals, and get excited about fresh food!

Roles and Responsibilities

- Assist Slow Food Denver class instructors with classes in the Athmar Park neighborhood on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:15-2:15 pm and/or at classes in the Belcaro neighborhood on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30-4:30pm. If the intern is available for a different combination of these dates and times, it may be a possibility. The intern may also be asked to assist at other Lil' Sprouts and Seed to Plate classes throughout the term, schedule permitting.
- Work with the Youth Education Coordinator and Program Director to collect survey data from grant-funded schools at the end of each term. This requires attending classes to do surveys with kids or coordinating survey dropoff/pickup with instructors, as well as inputting surveys into a centralized database.
- Help with promotion of our Lil' Sprouts/Seed to Plate programming via social media
- Contribute to creation of program cookbooks at the end of each term
- Attend/help at other SFD events and with tasks as needed
 - Including We Don't Waste Volunteer Events (2/7, 12:15–3:30 p.m., 3955 Steele St, Denver, CO 80205 and 2/13, 5–7 p.m. 5971 Broadway, Denver, CO 80216)
- Must have auto insurance and reliable transportation

To Apply: Please submit a resume and cover letter that includes availability for classroom assisting to Youth Education Coordinator Gabriella Wan at gabriella@slowfooddenver.org.