Harlan County native Lainey Cox interned with the Sleepy Hollow Golf Course, a nonprofit organization in Cumberland, KY. This summer Lainey learned skills in social media management and website development, organized events, and helped raise money for other nonprofit organizations and promote tourism in the area.

AppalachiaCorps is a student internship program through the UK Appalachian Center and Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement that pairs students with opportunities for experiential learning in eastern Kentucky and the greater Appalachian region. AppalachiaCorps serves a three-fold purpose:

- providing students with unique work and learning opportunities
- strengthening UK’s land-grant commitment to the Appalachian region
- building capacity and networks of relationships between Appalachian organizations.

Students within the College of Arts & Sciences, from the Appalachian region, First Generation college students, and those eligible for the Federal Work-Study program are strongly encouraged to apply.

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Appalachian Center and Appalachian Studies Program
We are currently seeking new sites for our students to intern. If your nonprofit organization, government agency, or community organization is interested in hosting a UK student, please check out our website and submit the "Internship Site Application." The team will then share the internship opportunity with students who have expressed interest in the program. We cannot guarantee placements but can share information about your organization.

If a student is matched with your organization, you will work out the details with the student, agree on and submit a Position Description Form, and submit a Partner Site Memorandum of Understanding. Site supervisors will approve hours through an email timesheet process and students will be paid through UK.

The internship covers up to 16 hours a week for up to 16 weeks during the summer (although duration and hours are flexible). Students will work with their chosen internship site regarding weekly schedules, job expectations, and organizational procedures. Students and internship supervisors will agree on a Position Description Form and submit it to the AppalachiaCorps team. After the position expectations are finalized, students will apply online to be hired through UK HR. Students will also complete a learning contract and participate in cohort meetings through the summer and submit reflections. Students may also opt to complete academic credit in conjunction with their internship.

For UK Students

The AppalachiaCorps program is currently accepting UK student inquiries regarding summer 2022 placements. Students interested in the program should visit our website and complete the "Inquiry Form" to get on our mailing list. Students are encouraged to work on making their own arrangements/contacts with host organizations or planning their own research projects.

For Internship Sites

Previous Internship Sites

· The Sunup Initiative
· Livelihoods Knowledge Exchange Network (LiKEN)
· Appalachian Citizens Law Center (ACLC)
· Center for Health Equity Transformation (CHET)
· The Federation of Appalachian Housing Enterprises (FAHE)
· Highlands Museum & Discovery Center
· Center for Rural Development
· Living Arts & Science Center
· Madison Middle School, Richmond, Ky
· Tri-Cities Sleepy Hollow Golf Course
· Louie B. Nunn Center for Oral History
· Pikeville Medical Center

Floyd County native Logan Turner interned with the Pikeville Medical Center where he shadowed physicians and OR staff. Logan hopes to become a retina-specialist ophthalmologist.