**Why You Should Intern with ILS**

Are you wanting to intern at the best livestock and farming operations in Kansas and Nebraska? Well, I’ve got a job for you! Innovative Livestock Services is offering two summer internships at each of our seven total farming and feed yard operations. Our mission is to combine innovation with the passion of our people to empower our rural communities and grow great tasting and sustainable beef.

**WHY INTERNING IS IMPORTANT**

 Interning can help connect what you have learned in the classroom to work in the job force. Typically meant for students graduating high school or in college, interns can gain experience in possible career fields. Interning allows students to form connections early and acquire experience that can put you ahead of other job candidates in the future. If you are interested in gaining corporate farm and feed yard experience, I highly recommend interning with ILS. Listed below are two of the internships that ILS offers:

1. **ILS FARM INTERNSHIP**

Interns will gain experience in the daily operation of a corporate farming operation. This internship is designed to give you a basic working knowledge of all aspects of corporate farming. Your time will be divided between these departments:

* Agronomy
* Irrigation
* Precision Farming
* Management/Office
1. **ILS FEEDYARD INTERNSHIP**

Interns will gain experience in the daily operation of a commercial feedyard. This internship is designed to give you a basic working knowledge of all aspects of commercial feed yards.

Your time will be divided between these departments:

* Feed and Milling
* Animal Health
* Maintenance
* Management/Office

**LOCATIONS**

ILS has several different locations at which these internships are offered. One farming internship and one feed yard internship is offered at each of the following locations:

* Barton County Feeders, 1164 SE 40 Road Ellinwood, KS 67526
* Dillwyn Feedyard, 187 NW 70th Ave, Macksville, KS 67557
* Great Bend Feeding, 355 NW 30 Ave. Great Bend, KS 67530
* Knight Feedlot, 1768 Ave. J, Lyons, KS 67554
* Lewis Feed Lot, 8720 Keystone Rd, Kearney, NE 68847
* McClymont Feedyard, 73027 K Rd. Holdrege, NE 68949
* Roberts Cattle Company, 75590 Rd 436, Lexington, NE 68850

Ward Feed Yard, 1190 100th Ave. Larned, KS 67550

**BENEFITS**

Interns will be paid for this 8-week internship and housing and utilities will be provided. Interested applicants are required to possess our core values, which include:

4. Respect and teamwork

5. Innovation

6. Accountability

1. Integrity and Trust
2. Relationships
3. Personal Development

**TESTIMONIALS**

Are you interested, but still not sure this internship is for you. You don’t have to take my word for it. Two previous interns have shared a little about their...

“The best part of this internship is that it was never repetitive, and I was able to do something different every day,” – Kel, ILS Farm

“There are a lot of jobs in a feed yard that may not be the most fun, but with the guys I was around, it made a tough situation a fun one and that is something I enjoyed most,” Avery, McClymont Feedyard

**HOW TO APPLY**

Email a cover letter to internships@ilsbeef.com or visit their [website](https://www.ilsbeef.com/) for more information and contacts. Please address the following questions in your cover letter:

* Why are you interested in a feed yard or farm internship?
* Where do you see yourself in 5 years and 10 years?
* Which of your previous job experiences did you like most and why?

The deadline to apply is January 31st, 2024, so don’t delay****!

Ward Feed Yard, Great Bend, Kansas. Photo Credit: Lauren Bartonek

Welder at McClymoth Feed Yard, Holdredge, Nebraska. Photo Credit: Lauren Bartonek



McClymont Feedyard in Holdrege, NE. Photo Credit: Lauren Bartonek

Ward Feedyard in Great Bend, KS. Photo Credit: Lauren Bartonek