Learn About Related Careers

Career Descriptions for Jobs in the Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Systems.
http://www.agriculture.purdue.edu/USDA/careers/

Possible Careers, Agricultural and Food Systems, Washington State University
http://afs.wsu.edu/career-information/

Research Keywords Including (this small sampling): food hubs, food policy, public health, immigration/food, supply chain and logistics, consumer insight, food retail, food waste/compost, food safety, food security, urban agriculture.

Job Posting Sites for Food Systems Fields

AgriCareers Inc.
http://www.agricareersinc.com/
Includes national job postings for the agribusiness field

Ag Careers Newsletter
http://www.agcareers.com/newsletter/agcareers_weekly.htm
National and international job site with over 1,600 postings per month

ATTRA Sustainable Agriculture
https://attra.ncat.org/attra-pub/internships/
Resources as well as job and internship listings regarding sustainable agriculture

COMFOODJOBS
https://elist.tufts.edu/wws/info/comfoodjobs
Subscribe to this electronic mail list created to link individuals to jobs and internships in community food security. To access previous postings, use the Archives, which lists postings each month. LOTS of posts.

Farm and Food Jobs
https://farmandfoodjobs.com/

Going Global
http://goldpass.umn.edu (link for Going Global is on the student home page)
Going Global is a great resource for international students looking for information on work opportunities here in the United States. It is also a great tool for students looking for information on the cultural nuances of the job search in various countries and cities throughout the world.
GoldPASS
http://goldpass.umn.edu
University of Minnesota job posting system.

Good Food Jobs
http://goodfoodjobs.com/
Nationwide network for food jobs, from production to keeping the books

Grassroots Jobsource
http://jobs.orionmagazine.org/
Search for jobs and internships in variety of fields including food, farming/agriculture, and sustainability.

Indeed
https://www.indeed.com/jobs?q=food+systems&l=
Comprehensive list of current food systems jobs available around the country.

Internships
http://www.internships.com/
This website provides services and resources for students, employers and educators. Students can search for internships and jobs based on location and type of industry/major.

Minnesota Careers page
https://careers.mn.gov/psp/hcm92apc/MNCAREERS/HRCR/c/HRS_HRAM.HRS_APP_SCHJOB.GBL?Page=HRS_APP_SCHJOB&Action=U&FOCUS=Applicant&SiteId=1

Minnesota Organic Farm Directory
http://www.mda.state.mn.us/food/organic/directory.aspx
Use this list of Minnesota organic farms to contact employers directly about job and internship opportunities.

Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture (MISA), student programs
http://www.misa.umn.edu/student-programs
The purpose of The Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture (MISA) is to bring together the diverse interests of the agricultural community with interests from across the University community in a cooperative effort to develop and promote sustainable agriculture in Minnesota and beyond.

National Young Farmer's Coalition
http://www.youngfarmers.org/land-and-jobs/
Links to farming internships, jobs, or land to rent

Sustainable Agriculture Jobs, Internships and Apprenticeships
https://www.facebook.com/groups/SustainableAgJobs/
A Facebook group to post professional farm, food and food system career development opportunities

USA JOBS
http://www.usajobs.gov/
The official job site of the United States government (though not all agencies post their jobs on it—be sure to search specific agencies job postings. A-Z Index of U.S. Government Departments and Agencies:
https://www.usa.gov/federal-agencies/a
Also see “Career Information by Major” for Plant Science:
https://www.careerhelp.umn.edu/majorinfo/plant-science

Professional Associations & Resources

Many professional associations have list-serves or web sites where jobs and internships are posted. Sometimes, membership is required for access, so consider becoming a student member. Other benefits of membership include access to other members (for informational interviews), evidence of your commitment to the industry, and information about current trends. CFANS sponsors travel grants for students to attend professional conference and development events.

Alternative Farming Systems Information Center
http://afsic.nal.usda.gov/
Significant information about sustainable food systems.

American Community Gardening Association (ACGA)
https://communitygarden.org/
Support the development of community green spaces and urban farming across Canada and the US.

CFANS Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program
http://www.cfans.umn.edu/undergrad-research
The U of M's Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) provides a stipend to undergraduates for special research, scholarly, or creative projects done with a faculty member. You must apply and be accepted into the UROP program

COMFOOD
https://elist.tufts.edu/wws/sigrequest/comfood
Comfood is an email discussion list of the Community Food Security Coalition

Ecological Farming Association
http://www.eco-farm.org/
Education, networking and advocacy.

Food Logistics
http://www.foodlogistics.com/
Global Supply Chain Solutions for the Food and Beverage Industry

Food Tank, the food think tank
http://foodtank.com/
Events, webinars, forums, http://foodtank.com/events/upcoming

The Food Institute
https://foodinstitute.com/home
“Timely, relevant and unbiased information about the food industry from farm to fork. A nonprofit… has a single purpose: providing information.”
Midwest Organic and Sustainable Education Service (MOSES)
https://mosesorganic.org/#
A nonprofit organization based in Spring Valley, Wis. We promote organic and sustainable agriculture by providing the education, resources and expertise farmers need to succeed. Conference in Wisconsin each February, https://mosesorganic.org/conference/

Minnesota Food Association
http://www.mnfoodassociation.org/
Minnesota Food Association is dedicated to growing farmers and growing food. Trainings, conference, volunteer opportunities. MFA provides a full range of educational programming about organic agriculture to beginning farmers and to all members of the community interested in learning more.

Minnesota Young Food Professionals
https://www.facebook.com/MNYFP/
Since 2013, Minnesota Young Food Professionals has hosted monthly happy hour meetings about creating better food system.

MnDRIVE / Global food ventures
https://mndrive.umn.edu/food
MnDRIVE, Minnesota’s Discovery, Research and InnoVation Economy, is a partnership between the University and state industries. Global Food Ventures is one of four priorities.

North American Food Systems Network
http://www.foodsystemsnetwork.org/
A network for all professionals, academics, and activists who focus on agriculture and food issues. The website provides networking, databases, and webinar series.

Partners in Food Solutions (PFS)
http://www.partnersinfoodsolutions.com/
PFS is a 501c(3) nonprofit organization that links the technical and business expertise of volunteer employees from General Mills, Cargill, Royal DSM and Bühler to small and growing food processors and millers in the developing world.

Summer Undergraduate Research Opportunities, Paid
http://www.pathwaystoscience.org/undergrads.aspx
Over 800 programs -- NSF REU, NASA and other paid summer research opportunities for undergrads
Search Disciplinary Categories for "Earth, Environmental & Agriculture Sciences" (190 programs!)

Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education
http://www.sare.org/
Grants and education related to sustainable agriculture.

Sustainable Food Trade Association
http://www.sare.org/
work to unite and support organic food businesses in implementing leading-edge environmental, social, and economic sustainability practices in their businesses and across the supply chain from farm to consumer.
U.S. Farmers & Ranchers Alliance® (USFRA®)
http://usfarmersandranchers.org/
“U.S. Farmers & Ranchers Alliance (USFRA) consists of more than 90 farmer and rancher led organizations and agricultural partners representing virtually all aspects of agriculture, working to engage in dialogue with consumers who have questions about how today's food is grown and raised.”

WWOOF
http://wwoof.net/
A worldwide movement linking volunteers with organic farmers and growers to promote cultural and educational experiences based on trust and non-monetary exchange, helping to build a sustainable, global community.

Additional Resources

Agroecology
https://www.nature.com/subjects/agri-ecology
Frequently updated databases of studies on agricultural systems.

Civil Eats
https://civileats.com/
Daily news and commentary about the American food system.

Related Student Organizations

For more information on the student organizations below, and others, visit
https://gopherlink.umn.edu/organizations/

CFANS Student Board
https://www.cfans.umn.edu/admissions/campus-life/organizations-activities/cfans-student-board
Comprised of elected executive student delegates and standing student group representatives that work directly with faculty and staff of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Natural Resource Sciences to create open communication across all levels of the college.

MANRRS (Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Related Sciences)
https://gopherlink.umn.edu/organization/513
A St. Paul based non-profit organization with the purpose to provide students of different backgrounds with the opportunities to grow professionally within their field of interest, socialize with other students of the same or different background, and make a difference in the community. MANRRS is also a nationally recognized organization with yearly conferences. All are welcome!
Contact: mnmanrrs@yahoo.com

CFANS Student Ambassadors
https://www.cfans.umn.edu/cfans-ambassadors
A voluntary, honorary organization consisting of undergraduate students from the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences at the University of Minnesota. They assist in promoting the College to prospective students and their parents, alumni, potential donors, and friends of the College and University of Minnesota.
West Bank Community Garden/ Student for Sustainability
https://gopherlink.umn.edu/organization/3177
We are an environmental student club dedicated to promoting sustainable solutions and projects in the Twin Cities. We are especially focused on the West Bank Community Garden, where both students and outside community members grow local, fresh foods.

Sustainable Systems Management Club
https://gopherlink.umn.edu/organization/2311
This student group is open to all U of M students interested in the sustainability industry or in the Sustainable Systems Management major. We focus on increasing students' sustainable knowledge, sharpening their business acumen, expanding their network with companies in our industry, and building relationships with each other and SSM alumni. We strive to prepare our members to positively impact the sustainable industry by equipping them with a competitive edge in the studies of energy efficiency, sustainability, and renewable resources.