Indiana University Sustainability Development Program (ISDP)
2019 Internship Job Description

Position Summary
The intern will be placed in the Portage Midtown Sustainability and Innovation Studio located in the Near Northwest Neighborhood of South Bend, Indiana. Portage Midtown is a Sustainable Neighborhood Development Demonstration Project being carried out in collaboration with New Energy Homes. The goals of the project are to demonstrate how the principles of sustainability and the triple bottom line can be incorporated into neighborhood redevelopment and revitalization, new construction, and renovation. To do this we are incorporating a variety of platforms, principles, and innovations into our project. These include the Framework for Strategic Sustainable Development, Just Sustainabilities and Sharing Cities, net zero building systems, placemaking, public art, permaculture and native landscaping, pedestrian centered design and multimodal transportation.

The intern will be responsible for developing and taking the lead on projects of her/his interest that support the goals of Portage Midtown, contribute ongoing sustainability initiatives, and assist in neighborhood outreach and community building.

Duties will depend on interns skill set and expertise but may include:
Planning and implementation of a green alley project
Creation and installation of a butterfly garden
Development of a template for edible landscaping
Creation of a social media program
Research, writing, and public presentations
Documentation of energy savings and carbon reduction
Creation of sustainability metrics with which to evaluate Portage Midtown
Permaculture demonstration project
Design and installation of a rain garden
Attend a 3-4 day boot camp mid-May 2019

Qualifications:
Passion to contribute to a sustainable future
Experience and/or coursework in sustainability studies
Effective verbal and written communication skills
Self-motivated and directing
Able to work well with others

Compensation
Compensation will be in the form of a stipend through the Indiana Sustainability Development Program. The intern will work full time for 10 weeks, beginning June 3 and ending August 9.

Feedback and evaluation
The intern will work closely with and be given regular feedback from Mike Keen, Principal of Thrive Michiana. Success in the internship will be determined by the creation, contribution to, and completion of projects and activities pertaining to the goals of Portage Midtown. The intern will learn how to synthesize various principles and platforms of sustainability into concrete projects that contribute to and catalyze triple bottom line neighborhood development.

Application Instructions
To apply for this position complete an application on the Sustain IU website. If you have questions about the program or any of the jobs available, email ISDP at isdp@indiana.edu. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis (first come, first serve) until all positions are filled; the final application deadline is Feb. 28, 2019.