



SMITH FERTILIZER & GRAIN

Location: Knoxville, Iowa

Company: Smith Fertilizer & Grain

Industry Sector: Agriculture

Industry Type: Professional

Career Type: Summer Crop Scout

Job Type: Full-Time, Temporary Seasonal

Smith Fertilizer & Grain is currently seeking summer crop scouts to join our agronomy department. Our company consists of five locations providing full-service agronomy work across south-central Iowa. The ideal candidates will be at least 18 years old and possess a valid driver's license. Students pursuing a career in Agronomy are strongly encouraged to apply.

Crop scouts will use iPads, pickups, and ATVs to travel the countryside inspecting customer fields for weed growth, insect infestations, and proper application of chemicals and fungicides. You will largely work on your own through the day, reporting findings back to your respective agronomist.

Employment will be for the 2024 growing season, typically mid-May through mid-August.

General Duties:

- Project a positive attitude to customers and coworkers at all times.
- Provide outstanding and courteous customer service.
- Continuously follow safety guidelines and programs established by SFG.
- Work closely with our agronomy team to ensure a high level of customer service.
- Monitor customer fields for insects, weeds, and diseases.
- Assist with SFG Answer Plots.
- Collection and tracking of tissue samples.
- Operate crop monitoring equipment and technology.
- Learn about facility repair, maintenance, and operations.
- Visit all SFG locations and participate in each location's operations.

Requirements:

- Valid driver's license
- Excellent work ethic
- Ability to occasionally lift and carry 50 – 100 lbs.
- Currently pursuing a degree in Agronomy, Agronomy Operations, or a related field.

Application Method:

1. Download and complete the Office Application found at <https://www.sfgiowa.com/Careers/Apply-Online>. Submit the application online and select the position you are applying for.
2. Completed applications may also be emailed to DerrickH@SFGIowa.com.