

## Resident Botanist - Internship (through May 2016)



Poly is an education company based in Cambridge. Our mission is to integrate nature and technology to help kids create and explore new worlds. Our core product is the PolyBot, a hydroponic plant-growing system specially designed for the classroom. With our accompanying curriculum, teachers and kids use the PolyBot to grow different species and explore key science topics while meeting Common Core and Next Generation Science Standards.

Poly is seeking a Resident Botanist this spring to research and test new plants for students to grow in our hydroponic system. We seek a candidate with strong content knowledge in botany and a passion for education.

## **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Research and recommend plant species for use in the PolyBot
- Take care of hydroponic plants on-site 2-3 times per week in our Kendall Square office
- Collaborate with the Director of Curriculum to design engaging plant-growing experiences
- Research and recommend nutrient regimens for different plant species

## **Qualifications**

- Current pursuing graduate or undergraduate studies in the biological sciences
- Strong content knowledge in the field of botany
- A passion for research and strong curiosity in the biological sciences
- Open to receiving and giving frequent feedback to support the Poly team and mission
- Readiness for the fast-paced environment of an education startup
- Positive attitude, good humor, and excitement about collaboration
- Gardening and/or education experience preferred, but not required

**Interested?** Please reach out to Ben Leddy (<u>bleddy@foodfuturecolab.com</u>) with a cover letter and resume. We'd love to hear from you!

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