Trait Discovery Breeder Co-Op

- Almost 7 months – May 16th – December 9th
- Technology – Breeding – Trait Discovery (Corn)
- Must be currently enrolled in a graduate program
- Poster session and final presentation to group
- LinkedIn
- Collaboration/Teams/Networking
- Project Ownership
Travel
Monsanto’s traits & germplasm play an increasingly major role in feeding the world today & tomorrow. Growers enjoy superior yields & reliability as never before in the history of agriculture due to our insect protected, drought resistant & high yielding hybrids. Farmers also enjoy unprecedented convenience from our breakthrough herbicide traits.

This crop placement will provide an opportunity to conduct research that will answer key product performance questions to guide management practices of current and future biotech traits. The crop students in this integration Discovery benefit from interaction across multiple disciplines including breeding, statistical analysis, chemistry, testing and growing teams, and supply chain.

The student will conduct an independent research project with the opportunity to develop, conduct and document experiments and communicate results in reports and presentations. This will also gain practical research experience in an innovative and results-focused company.

The intern experience will be supplemented with seminars, networking opportunities and career discussions, as well as trips to visit major Discovery labs and other facilities. It is hoped that this experience will inform further career choices and provide an opportunity to develop skills.

This role requires a six (6) month commitment. Please apply only if you are certain of your willingness and ability to commit to the full duration of the assignment (June-Dec 2017).

Daily transportation to the Monsanto site is required and will be the responsibility of the student. Any required off-site travel will be provided by Monsanto. Extended hours can be expected during peak season; overtime is required, but may be negotiable.

Location for this assignment is in Chesterfield, MO.

Daily Activities may include:
- Rent management
- Data collection
- Data entry and analysis

Qualifications:
- Hands on experience with the ability to work independently
- Strong motivational, organization and problem solving skills
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Ability to work effectively with interdisciplinary teams

Requirements:
- Current enrollment in BS, MS, or PhD program in Plant Science, Genetics, Plant Breeding, or other related field of study
- Strong problem solving skills
- Willingness to relocate for duration of project if necessary
- Pension transportation