Feedlot Maintenance Student Worker

**Description:** Assist with daily operations of feedlot cattle, research cattle, facilities and structures at the TTU- New Deal Beef Center.

**Minimum Qualifications:**
- Good standing with the university
- **ON TIME** to job site based on work schedule, maximum 20 hrs a week & ability to work 50% of weekends a month.
- Ability to read simple information, assignments and take directive from feedlot manager & supervisors in a respectful manner.
- Organized & good communication skills
- Proven experience using farm equipment & cattle handling skills (documentation will be necessary, pictures or letters of recommendation), but not afraid to learn new skills
- *Individuals with entitled mentality and whom lack demonstrated work ethic need not apply*

**Ideal candidate:** Minimum Qualifications plus **AT LEAST ONE** of the following:

1. **Mechanically inclined:**
   - Demonstrated welding experience is a major plus
   - Routine daily maintenance of vehicles (fluids, filters, hydraulics, etc.)
   - Ability to use simple hand tools for repairs & construction
   - Self-starter and highly motivated for a full time salaried position with the University upon graduation
   **OR**

2. **Interested in beef cattle research:**
   - Students considering a graduate program in beef cattle research either here or another University. This position will expose you to several research projects as well as provide experience in logistics of running animal projects.
   - Student will be required to make and mix diets for research animals in the feedmill and operate heavy machinery. Some on-site training will be provided but general experience is preferred.
   - Assist with project data collection

**Outline of Duties & Responsibilities:**
- Safely operate and maintain heavy equipment in enclosed and high traffic areas
- Assist in pen cleaning, fence repair, plumbing & water trough maintenance
- Cooperatively work with other crew members, graduate students and student workers
- Monitor and report repair needs of equipment and facilities to supervisors
- Perform basic repair of facilities
- **Be able to assist during irregular hours in case of emergency situations**
- Other duties may be assigned by supervisors based on need

**Work Environment:**
- May be exposed to weather of all kinds. Employee must dress appropriately.
- Exposure to dust and/or manure from pens and mill area
- Working near and in contact with livestock, mostly cattle.
- Regularly working near moving mechanical equipment.

Pay will be standard TTU minimum wage with the **potential for** a raise after a 3 month evaluation.

**To apply:** Please send **Cover Letter, Resume, 1 Letter of Recommendation & 3 listed references** to Whitney Crossland (whitney.crossland@ttu.edu) by midnight Jan 21, 2019.