

# **An Interview with ANSC Major Alexa Leconche**

## **CT Department of Agriculture Bureau of Regulation and Inspection**

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**Q: Where did you intern, and when?**

I interned at the Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Regulation and Inspection in the Spring of 2016.

**Q: Was it a paid internship? What did you do there?**

It was not paid, but I did receive credits for the internship through Dr. Darre. I spent a lot of time in the office, which is in Hartford. There I learned about what each person within the department does on a day-to-day basis. I also got to help with sampling in the field, including milk sampling at large dairy barns and bleeding chickens at UConn!

**Q: When did you apply for this internship?**

I applied during Winter break of 2015.

**Q: How long did the internship last?**

It lasted for the length of the semester, and I chose my hours based on the number of credits I was receiving.

**Q: How did you learn about this opportunity?**

I received an email about the opportunity from the Department of Animal Science.

**Q: Anything else you'd like to add about your experience?**

Just that I loved it! I really got to see what a typical day in the office was like, as well as a typical day in the field of those who work for the Department of Agriculture.

**Q: What is your area of interest as an ANSC major?**

I was pre-vet, but now have shifted my focus to livestock, especially dairy cattle.

**Q: So, what are your plans when you graduate?**

To see if there are any openings for agricultural jobs at the state level! I would love to work for the Department of Agriculture.

**Q: If someone has questions, can they contact you regarding your internship experience?**

Absolutely! [Alexa.Leconche@UConn.edu](mailto:Alexa.Leconche@UConn.edu)