Internships in Production and Entrepreneurship Agriculture (IPEA) Program

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IPEA fulfills the Experience Based Education (EBE) requirement at SEBS. Each year, it runs from May to November. The summer program is from end of May to mid-August and the fall program starts in the first week of September and ends November 30. Interns engage in practical hands-on production agriculture in the field and under controlled environment, and engage in produce marketing, and independent study in Ag & Food Systems and Plant Science research. The courses accommodated in IPEA include:

- Agriculture and Food Systems Practicum 11-020-490
- Agriculture and Food Systems Special Problems/Independent Study 11-020-495
- Special Topics in Plant Science 11-776-495
- SEBS Honors program and SPIN students may be allowed in special situations.

In 2019, IPEA offers four options:

- Field Production of Exotic Crops (Summer only 3 credits),
- Indoor Crop Cultivation and Marketing, (Summer or Fall 3 credits)
- Marketing of Exotic Crop Produce (Fall only 3 credits)
- Field Production of Exotic Crops and Marketing. (Summer and Fall 6 credits)

IPEA interns identify SEBS/NJAES faculty mentors to guide them in defining their learning goals during the internship, and faculty give lectures to interns to provide a better understanding of how production agriculture and marketing work to support a vibrant agricultural economy in the Garden State.