

Spring 2026 Botanical Science Internship @ BRIT

NSF-funded | Paid | Flexible Hours | Real Research Experience

Are you an undergraduate student who is interested in tropical botany, evolution, and independent research? Are you curious about the secrets hidden in Sunflowers, Daisies, Asters, and their relatives? Then this PAID internship opportunity is for you!



What's the Opportunity?

We're offering a 10-week paid internship (\$1,500 total) at the Botanical Research Institute of Texas (BRIT) during **Spring 2026**. You'll work on a National Science Foundation–funded project that aims to document and understand plant diversity in the most species-rich family of plants on Earth, Compositae.

What You'll Do

- *Get hands-on with real herbarium specimens:* learn how to examine, update, and organize plant data that helps scientists track diversity.
- *Work with pressed plant specimens:* observe, score, and interpret cool physical traits from dried plants collected around the world.
- *Zoom in on plant micro-morphology:* use light and scanning electron microscopes to explore the tiny structures of species in the “evil tribe” (Vernonieae, Compositae).

Who Should Apply?

- BRIT welcomes applications from current or recent undergrads in Biology who are curious about plant biology, evolution, museum science, or taxonomy— no need to be a plant expert! If you're excited to learn and explore, we encourage you to apply.
- Comfortable using Excel, Google Sheets, and working with digital files
- At least 18 years old (background checks required)



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Questions? Reach out anytime!

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