# Sanderson Farms

#### What is Sanderson Farms?

Sanderson Farms is one of the nation's leading food corporations that started in 1947. They are committed to providing fresh poultry to consumers. The internship offered a unique approach to utilize environmental knowledge within the poultry Industry.

## **Broiler Dept**

This department focused more on monitoring the health of the chickens and working with the farm owners to make sure that they are in compliance with TCEQ. My duties included assisting in servicing farms and helping veterinarians dissect chickens to check for diseases.

#### **Environmental Concerns**

- Proper chicken burial in TCEQ compliance
  - Disease control
  - Ammonia and water levels
    - Waste management
  - Proper incinerator usage

## **Hatchery Dept**

In this department I worked with the chickens during the hatching process. Duties included performing fertility checks, vaccinations, and transferring chicks. Fertility checks often involved group investigations and problem solving.

#### Breeder Dept

**Chicks at Broiler Farm** Where do the eggs come from? Sanderson Farms has breeder farms where hens lay eggs. I worked closely with service technicians to monitor the poultry, chemical usage, and environmental concerns.

## Knowledge Gained

- •Greater knowledge of TCEQ and EPA standards
- •The effects the environment can have on chicken farms and surrounding communities

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