

Join Our Team as a US Lab Assistant

Location: Greenville, South Carolina Job Type: Temporary, Full Time (Parental Leave Coverage) Start Date: TBD Reports To: US Lab Manager

About the Role

Ally Coffee is looking for a passionate and <u>detail</u>-oriented coffee professional to join our team as a US Lab Assistant on a temporary basis to cover parental leave. This role will primarily focus on quality control, sampling operations, and logistics within our Greenville lab. Depending on business needs and long-term fit, there may be potential for the position to transition into a permanent role within the company.

This is a unique opportunity to gain hands-on experience in the coffee industry while contributing to Ally Coffee's mission of building connections between coffee producers and roasters worldwide.

Key Responsibilities

As a US Lab Assistant, your main responsibilities will include:

- 1. Cupping and Quality Control
 - Observe, measure, and record needed aspects of the coffee (color, moisture content, green coffee odor, sample roasting details/observations, and other information required).
 - Effectively sample roast to the established protocols for evaluation purposes.
 - Consistently maintain a high level of hygiene whenever coffee handling or tasting is involved.
 - Set up cuppings (tastings) to standard in a routine or regimen for the Ally team.
 - Cup coffees, using agreed-upon protocols and capturing results in Cropster.
 - Clean up cupping; help maintain the cupping area, dishwasher, sink, grinders, and sample library.

2. Communication and Documentation

- Identify, label, and track coffee samples from receipt through evaluation.
- Maintain accurate records of every coffee received and evaluated.
- Maintain accurate quality information across platforms.
- Communicate effectively with origin and sales teams to manage the flow of samples and information.



3. Packaging and Fulfillment

- Repackage coffee samples for evaluation and shipment.
- Monitor and report coffee sample inventory to avoid waste and losses.
- Prepare and ship samples to customers in a timely and cost-efficient manner.

4. Warehouse management

- Organize and maintain workspaces with a high level of cleanliness and safety compliance.
- Assist with routine maintenance of roasting, brewing, and warehouse equipment.

What We're Looking For

We're seeking a proactive team player with:

- Strong verbal and written communication skills and the ability to collaborate effectively.
- Exceptional organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Problem-solving and critical-thinking abilities.
- Some experience in sample roasting, coffee cupping, and green coffee grading.
- Experience with Cropster.
- Physical ability to lift 50+ pounds and follow ergonomic safety practices.

Qualifications

- Required: 3 years of coffee industry experience and a high school diploma.
- Preferred: 1 year of quality control experience.

Why Work with Us?

At Ally Coffee, we connect producers and roasters to create meaningful, lasting partnerships. As part of our team, you'll gain valuable experience working in a collaborative environment that values innovation, quality, and sustainability in the coffee industry.

How to Apply

If this sounds like the perfect opportunity for you, send your resume and a brief cover letter to <u>carol@allycoffee.com</u> and <u>gabby@allycoffee.com</u> with the subject line: <u>(Your Name) - Ally US Lab</u> <u>Assistant</u>.