



Educational Farm & Nature Preserve

Sustainable Agriculture Internship at Stratford Ecological Center

Position Title: Sustainable Agriculture Intern

Hours: 40 per week

Rate of pay: \$12.00 per hour

Minimum Age: 18

Position dates: Flexible start and end dates from mid-April to late September, 2 positions available for a total of 32 weeks (or 16 weeks for each position).

Summary: Assist the Farm Manager in all aspects of production on a 65 acre organically managed farm, including livestock, field crops, horticultural crops and a budding agroforestry program.

Stratford Ecological Center is a non-profit educational organic farm and nature preserve in Delaware County, Ohio. The intern will have the opportunity to work with children of various ages, visiting families and volunteers. They will be an integral part of Farm Camp, working with camp counselors and the Education Coordinator.

Specific farm components include fruits and vegetables, and a menagerie of livestock including sheep, goats, cattle (beef and dairy), hogs, chickens and llamas. Haying is a component of an eight-year crop rotation that includes corn, spelt, oats, sunflowers, buckwheat, barley and two kinds of hay.

Additionally, the interns will become involved with fence building and repairs, light carpentry, basic mechanics, equipment operation (small and large), preserve management, and small research projects. Housing is available for a low cost through a partnership with the Methodist Theological School of Central Ohio, just a few minutes from Stratford. Housing includes internet, cable, phone and laundry. Interns also receive free produce and eggs from the farm and discounts on Stratford's meats.

For more information, or to apply for this internship, contact Jeff Dickinson, Executive Director/Farm Manager at farmscaper@stratfordecologicalcenter.org or call the main office at 740-363-2548. Application is available on-line @ www.stratfordecologicalcenter.org.

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