



Educational Farm & Nature Preserve

## **Sustainable Agriculture Internship at Stratford Ecological Center**

**Position Title:** Sustainable Agriculture Intern

**Hours:** Full and part time opportunities available

**Rate of pay:** Inquire for current rates

**Minimum Age:** 18

**Position dates:** Flexible start and end dates from mid-April to late September

**Summary:** Stratford Ecological Center is a non-profit educational organic farm and nature preserve in Delaware County, Ohio. Intern will assist the Farm Manager in all aspects of production on a 65 acre organically managed farm, including livestock, field crops, horticultural crops, apiary, and a budding agroforestry program. The intern will work with a diverse group of volunteers while helping manage the farm.

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, basis mechanics, equipment operation (small and large), preserve management, and small research projects.

**Requirements:** Must be physically fit, able to work outside in the weather elements and on your feet most of the day. Ability to lift at least 50 pounds.

Affordable housing is available through a partnership with the Methodist Theological School of Central Ohio, just a few minutes from Stratford. Housing includes internet, cable, 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](mailto:farmscaper@stratfordecologicalcenter.org).

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