

Farm Education Intern

Position Description

The Farm Education Internship is an opportunity for individuals passionate about growing food, protecting the planet, and empowering young people with gardening knowledge to practice and hone their abilities. Participants will learn and practice a variety of skills related to education, teaching, communication, and urban farming.

The Farm Education Intern will work closely with our Education and Programming Coordinator to assist in providing garden enrichment activities to a wide array of program participants, ranging from preschoolers to adults. Programs will vary with some taking place on the Howard Street Farm, and others on location with our partner organizations (all locations are accessible by public transit). The Farm Education Intern will also help out with volunteer days at Howard Street Farm as needed. As part of this internship, you will help lead, organize, and plan educational activities, as well as get a chance to refine your gardening skills by helping maintain our educational gardens both on the farm and elsewhere.

An ideal candidate will have a passion for local foods, the outdoors, and working with youth. Talking Farm is a small team, so flexibility and willingness to adapt are important assets in this position. We work with youth and adults of all backgrounds and mobility needs, thus a deep commitment to DEIJA work and ethos is incredibly important in our programming. Overall, this position is best suited to someone passionate about local foods, getting outdoors, and spreading a love for farming!

You can learn more about The Talking Farm and our work at www.thetalkingfarm.org.

Howard Street Farm

The Howard Street Farm is our main operating site from produce production where we grow fresh, hyper-local food using innovative and sustainable practices while educating our community about the environment, agriculture, biodiversity, permaculture, horticulture, gardening, and social justice and health issues. As part of this internship you would work both at the farm and at the locations of the other organizations we partner with to offer programming.

What We Look For

- Believers in the power of education and food
- A commitment to Social Justice
- An ability to communicate effectively with diverse groups of individuals of varying ages
- A high degree of self-reliance, confidence, and initiative
- A positive attitude and the ability to hear, reflect upon, and implement feedback
- A demonstrated interest in understanding organic and sustainable growing practices
- Individuals who are capable of bending over, lifting 15+lbs, and participating in gardening tasks in varying weather
- Ability to pass a background check to work in school buildings

Duration and Compensation

This is a stipend-based learning opportunity with access to organic produce as it is available. The Education Intern is expected to work between 8-16 hours per week. An ideal applicant will be able to work from the commencement of the internship in spring through to the end of the season in late fall (the week of Thanksgiving). Applicants who can only work for one of the three seasonal rounds of our 8-12 week program (Spring, Summer, or Fall) will also be considered. Any college credit must be coordinated by the student at the institution's discretion.

To Apply

To apply for this position please complete the linked questionnaire (https://secure.everyaction.com/iVzmKOycJUiAkkJi-eXDfQ2) and email a resume with the subject line "Farm Education Internship" to lissa@thetalkingfarm.org. Deadline for this application is February 10th for Spring, April 15th for Summer, and August 1st for Fall.