

Clark Organic Farm, Inc.

Carlisle,



Private Host Information

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About the Placement:

Detailed Placement Description

This placement is owned and operated by a private company. Production Acreage: 12 acres Number of Full-time Employees: 5. Number and Type of livestock: about 40 sheeps, about 10 goats, 40 pigs, around 400 chickens.

My farm/organization is: Certified Organic as well As Real Organic Project certified. I have



participated in training exchange or apprenticeship program called CAEP. I am an active member of CSA distributions, Education groups, Tours

Educational Activities: Farm workshops, Visits to other farms, constant contact and communication with the farmer

Social Environment: I have two children, ages 17 and 15 and a girlfriend who works on the farm. The community is very nice, semi-rural, but only 25 miles from Boston.

I've worked with trainees for a 18 years and understand many of the challenges that come with farming in another country. I am a very fair person, but expect an exceptional work ethic. In return for the dedicated work of the trainee, I will provide lots of education.

Primary Production:

Berries, Poultry, Sheep, Vegetables

About the Internship:

Training Hours:

40-50 hours per week.

Training Expectations:

We offer Seasonal training, ideally between April and December.

Our farm/organization strongly prefers the steward who has hands-on production experience with our primary crops and is from a farming family and is a professional farmer.

On-Site Training, Steward's primary activities:

All aspects of organic vegetable and berry production. This includes tractor work like field preparation, transplanting, cultivating and mowing. There is also training with CSA distributions, Education groups, and occational tours.



Climate and Location Description

Average temperature/Typical weather: Spring and fall 8 C, Summer 25 C

Proximity to nearest town/city: 25 miles to Boston

Geographic Location:

Rural community, a medium size river nearby, very close to Boston, 45 minute drive to the ocean.

Compensation:

Private sleeping area, cable TV, internet

Accommodations and amenities provided:

Accommodations: Apartment is shared with other interns/stewards. Bedroom is private. Bathroom is shared.

Lodging is Modern & well equipped.

Housing is onsite.

Amenities:

Electric or gas heat, Air Conditioning, TV, Free, daily internet on-site, Local library internet only, restricted to one hour per visit, Telephone (Free local calls only; must buy own calling card for non-local calls), Occasional, local use of insured vehicle on days off, with host permission (Only for stewards with valid home country drivers' licenses or Int'l Drivers Permits), Bicycle for excursions to nearby shops/town/public transit (less than 3 miles oneway), Free, seasonal farm products. (Example:vegetables and eggs)

Preferred start date:

Mar -April

Preferred length of internship:

7.5 months



User ID:
andrew
Mesa Notes - Internal:
Status:
Accepted
Admin Only - No Notification:
No Notifications
Your Job Title:
Farm manager
Do you have separate mailing address? :
No
City:
State:
Zip Code:
Host Fees. \$175 Steward assignment confirmation, plus \$225/month/Steward.:
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Got it, we're good to go!, We may be interested to host a Next Level Steward alum w/ an hourly wage/larger stipend, plus \$400 MESA Fee

Other Placement Activities:

Agri-tourism, Composting, Farm business planning/ record keeping, Greenhouse management, Organic certification, Tours



How many Stewards would you like to host:

Either Gender

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Are you willing to host a Steward whose English proficiency is below 30%?:



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Please list your two nearest airports, and approx. driving distance to/from the training site.:

BOSTON (BOS) about 30 miles away

We have previously hosted a MESA Steward(s):

Yes

We have hosted or currently host J-1 interns/trainees in another program:

Yes

Reference 1:

Wilson Jiminez

Reference 2:

Ronald Herrera

Placement Photo:





Other Photos:

