

# **Sunfield Farm**

#### Port Hadlock, Washington



### **About the Placement:**

#### **Detailed Placement Description**

Sunfield is an 81 acre diversified biodynamic farm on the NorthEast Corner of the Olympic Peninsula (The NorthWest Corner of the United States). The climate is maritime and temperate. There is a Waldorf grade and middle school on site. The farm consists of a 5 acre school campus, 42 acre fields and pasture, 8 acres wetlands, and 26 acres forest. We grow about an acre of annuals every year for produce and seed production. 1 acre of young apple trees, 1 acre of young hazelnuts, 1 acre of young blueberries and raspberries for a u-pick. More orchards, windbreaks, and wetland plantings are consistently planned and executed every year. Hay production. Rotation grazing with beef cattle, fiber sheep, dairy goats, laying hens (and a milk cow is coming soon!). The farm follows the principles of Biodynamic Agriculture informed by Rudolf Steiner. The Waldorf School is heavily integrated with the farm, and an interest in environmental education is encouraged. We are in a very active and thriving farming community, and the national park is very close by. Extra curricular activities abound.



#### **Primary Production:**

Bees/Honey, Berries, Cattle, Farm Education & Community, Flowers, Goats, Poultry, Sheep, Tree fruits, Vegetables, hay, nut trees, forestry, non-commercial dairy

# **About the Internship**

#### **Training Hours:**

32 hours a week of work plus off-hours chores plus 4 hours a week educational workshop/field trip

#### **Training Expectations:**

We only require a desire to learn and work hard. Enthusiasm is greatly appreciated. Applicants must be physically able and healthy.

#### On-Site Training, Steward's primary activities:

Interns will be involved in all aspects of the farm. This includes propagation of vegetable starts, transplanting, weeding, and harvesting vegetable crops. Planting and tending orchards, hedgerows, berries are a large part of the learning experience. Animal husbandry is a major aspect of the internship, which includes managing cattle, goats, sheep, and chickens. Alongside these farm responsibilities, we also host educational programs and community festivals on our land.

Education is a primary focus at Sunfield Farm, and we are committed to providing a holistic balance of education and work experience for all interns. Once a week we will have "class time" to explore Biodynamic theory, farming basics, local farm field trips, and Anthroposophy etc.. Please come with an openness to Biodynamic Agriculture (https://www.biodynamics.com/biodynamic-principles-and-practices) and Anthroposophy (https://anthroposophy.org/learn-more/)



#### **Climate and Location Description**

Maritime temperate. Never gets very hot or very cold. Mild climate. Dry summer and wet fall through spring.

#### **Compensation:**

\$500/month, 3 bedroom farm house w/ wifi, bathroom, kitchen, Free, daily food, Pay MESA for Steward Health Insurance\*

#### Accommodations and amenities provided:

Housing in a farm intern house with three bedrooms. The house has a kitchen, living room, wifi, heat, shower, laundry, & bathroom.

#### Preferred start date:

## April 1

#### **Preferred length of internship:**

October 31, thru winter optional





