

## **2018 Farming Internship/Apprenticeship**

The internship provides a unique opportunity to experience grass-based livestock production, and agritourism.

The intern will experience all facets of the agricultural business, including production, management, marketing and value-added food processing. The internship provides education and experience in cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, poultry and rabbits and agricultural methods such as grass-fed, non-certified organic, rotational grazing and sustainable farming. The internship allows the intern to interface with and educate the customer and the community through farmers markets, farm tours, on-farm programs, through Fable, our on-farm restaurant, and via our bed & breakfast and Farm Stay.

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Grass-based livestock farm, restaurant and farm stay (B&B)  
Start Date: May (flexible)  
End Date: November  
Preference given to longer-term commitments.

Scope of Work: 6 day work week. Mondays off.

Responsibilities may include:

- Feeding of cattle, hogs, chickens (broilers), ducks, guinea hens, rabbits, goats and sheep
- Collecting and cleaning eggs
- Building permanent fencing.
- Barn repair
- Machinery repair
- Slaughtering of poultry and rabbits
- Castrating bulls, feeder pigs
- Saturday or Sunday farmers' markets
- Feeding and working with border collies and livestock guardian dogs
- Helping with farm tours and summer programs such as Farmer for a Day
- Planting, weeding and harvesting in kitchen vegetable and herb gardens.
- General barn clean up and organization

Desired skills are enthusiasm, creative thinking, problem solving, physically fit, carpentry, veterinary, culinary, comfort with animals big and small, excellent social skills and ability to effectively communicate with customers.

Notes: Because of the livestock guardian dogs we cannot accept pets. Wifi and cell service is limited in some areas of the farm. Delhi and Oneonta are 20 minute drives. Must like dogs – we have (livestock guardian dogs, border collies and pets)

Housing, meals and stipend discussed on an individual basis.