**Berggren Demonstration Farm Summer Internship**

**Internship Title:** Demonstration Farm Intern

**Location:** Camp Creek Road, Springfield OR 97478

**Hours/Credits:** 240 hours per term, or approximately 18 hours/week for 13 weeks. Up to 8 credits available but not required for internship.

**Start date & weekly schedule:** Start date is the week of June 22\(^{nd}\) (the week after final exams at UO). Weekly schedule will be 8 AM-2 PM three days per week, most likely Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Some flexibility in start/end date and weekly schedule may be available.

**Stipend:** $1,200 educational stipend.

**NEW Room option:** We may consider providing housing for one intern at the farm, in trade for additional hours; *please indicate in your application whether this is of interest.*

**Positions available:** Two 240 hour positions

**Berggren Demonstration Farm:**

The Berggren Demonstration Farm is a 30-acre farm located at the Berggren Watershed Conservation Area (BWCA) on the lower McKenzie River. The BWCA is a unique partnership between the McKenzie River Trust, EWEB, and Cascade Pacific RC&D. The Demonstration Farm promotes the connections between healthy farms and clean water by employing ecologically appropriate farming techniques, educating young and beginning farmers, and partnering with our community to support a strong local food system.

We raise poultry and small livestock, and grow annual vegetables and hay. We also coordinate multiple education programs, tours and workshops. Information about the Demonstration Farm is available at: [www.berggren-farm.org](http://www.berggren-farm.org) or at our Facebook page.

**Internship Description:**

This is an unpaid internship, with a stipend provided to cover expenses incurred during the course of the internship (e.g. gas, supplies).

As a Demonstration Farm Intern, you will be directly assisting the Farm Manager in all aspects of the farm’s livestock and vegetable production. This will include, but is not limited to:

- Helping with animal chores: feeding, watering, moving portable fences, cleaning stalls
- Greenhouse production: seeding flats, watering, transplanting vegetable starts
- Kitchen garden maintenance: weeding, watering, harvesting produce, planting
- Harvest and marketing support: harvesting produce, staffing a farmer’s market booth
- Construction of farm infrastructure and irrigation: building housing structures for livestock, moving irrigation lines
- Assist with poultry and rabbit butchering and processing

This is a ‘learn-by-doing,’ hands-on internship that involves repetitive, hard physical work in the outdoors, regardless of weather. Individuals who have a demonstrated interest in sustainable agriculture, a strong work ethic and good attitude, and the ability to work well as part of a team will be a good fit for this position. Reliability is essential, as is the ability to follow directions and receive constructive criticism.

We are committed to supporting individual learning goals that interns bring with them, including the optional pursuit of an independent study project related to the farm. Interns may have the opportunity to participate in workshops and tours held at other farms in the area as well, to gain a basic understanding of diverse agricultural practices.

Requirements:

Core requirements of the internship are:

- Being on time and prepared for hard work every day
- Commit to completing the hours and schedule of the internship
- Ability to lift 50 lbs. and perform physical labor in an outdoor setting
- Bring a positive attitude and willingness to follow directions diligently
- Attend weekly farm meetings

Desired Qualifications

1. Familiarity with or interest in agricultural operations and livestock
2. Experience performing physical labor outdoors
3. Enjoyment of working and collaborating with others

How to Apply

Please send a resume and cover letter describing why you are interested in the internship to demofarm@cascadepacific.org. This position application period opens on Wednesday, April 15th and is open until filled.