

better farm

sustainability education program

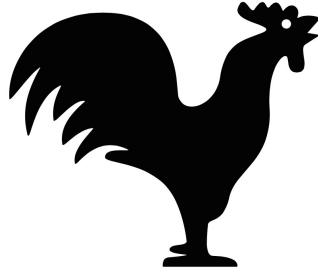
Better Farm's Sustainability Education Program equips individuals with the knowledge and skills necessary to create a more sustainable future. Students will gain hands-on experience growing their own food, building their own green-living systems, acting as responsible land stewards, and serving the community. This program provides immersive training that will arm individuals with everyday solutions to environmental challenges we face as a global culture. Areas of study are tailored to each student, and may include:

- organic small-scale farming and gardening*
- greenhouses and four-season farming*
- beekeeping*
- compost methods*
- alternative building and energy*
- rain and greywater collection*
- aquaponics and hydroponics*
- chicken care*
- community outreach initiatives (supper clubs, volunteer work at area farms, workshops, presence at local events)*
- homesteading (organic cooking, canning/preserving, soap-making and more)*
- outdoor survival (edible wild plants, camping, fishing, emergency preparedness)*

Better Farm's Sustainability Education Program runs in one- to three-month intervals year-round. Participants receive daily assignments and chores related to sustainability initiatives and organic farming (including readings and research), as well as the opportunity to design and implement individual projects. Upon completion of all units and responsibilities, interns receive a certificate in sustainability from Better Farm. College students may additionally receive course credit for completion of this program (pursuant to agreement by that individual's school).

Individuals are immersed from Day One in the local culture while working alongside other residents at Better Farm and in the Redwood community. Sustainability specialists visit Better Farm throughout the year to offer additional mentoring and guidance; and students may take any workshops scheduled during their time at Better Farm. Program participants live on-site and communally on the Better Farm campus in shared rooms. A flat fee of \$500/month is required to cover education costs, room and board.

All program applications must be submitted to internship@betterfarm.org. Applicants will be notified of their status within one month of submission.



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Sustainability Education Program Application

Applications may be submitted by e-mail to internship@betterfarm.org or regular mail:

*Better Farm Sustainability Education Program
31060 Cottage Hill Road
Redwood NY, 13679*

Applicants will be notified of their status within one month of submission.

Please fill out the form below and return it along with your resume and cover letter.

FULL NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

I am applying for ____1 month ____2 months ____3 months

Please indicate your preferred month(s):

Check all the activities below that most closely resemble your interests:

___ Permaculture

greywater filtration

___ Organic farming and gardening

___ Alternative energy

___ General farm management

___ Beekeeping

(operating a roadside stand, tending
to small livestock, food distribution,
bookkeeping, etc.)

___ Community outreach

___ Organic cooking/preserving

___ Outdoor survival

___ Green building (construction
with green and recycled materials)

___ Other (please specify):

___ Rainwater collection and

Please provide two references.

REFERENCE 1

NAME -----

PHONE -----

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RELATIONSHIP TO YOU -----

REFERENCE 2

NAME -----

PHONE -----

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