

Children's Gardens Internship

Zenger Farm, Portland Oregon

Applications accepted on a rolling basis

Position Type: Part-time, unpaid volunteer Internship



ZENGER FARM is a 501(c)(3) non-profit working urban farm that models, promotes and educates about sustainable food systems, environmental stewardship, community development and access to good food for all.

Children's Gardens Interns will assist with the Children's Gardens maintenance and facilitate garden activities with youth and adults participating in on-site programs. Zenger Farm offers daily education programs, including camps for youth and field trips for people of all ages at our urban farm and wetland.

TIME COMMITMENT

- **Seasonal Commitment of at least 3 months at a time**
- 9 to 20 hours a week; interns will need to establish a regular day of the week and timeframe for this position
- Weekly time commitment and schedule will be discussed with each applicant to meet the needs of the Intern and Zenger Farm

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist with Children's Gardens maintenance and facilitate garden activities with youth and adults
- Interact with participants and volunteers in an enthusiastic and friendly manner
- Maintain clear and open communication with Zenger Farm staff and volunteers
- Special projects and other duties as assigned

QUALIFICATIONS

- Must enjoy working with children and adults
- Positive, can do attitude
- Ability to work in a farm setting, lift up to 50lbs, dig, and use hand tools
- Prior experience in teaching, outdoor education, and gardening or farming preferred
- Ability to obtain a Food Handlers Certification
- Must pass a criminal background check

BENEFITS

- Farm fresh produce
- Opportunity to develop skills and experience teaching and facilitating gardening and outdoor education
- Learn and practice sustainable gardening/farming practices in the Pacific Northwest
- Work with a fun and dedicated team of staff and volunteers in a lively and collaborative environment
- Spend time at a beautiful urban farm and in a diverse and culturally unique neighborhood
- Potential to receive college credit for internship (check with your school)

HOW TO APPLY

Submit a cover letter and resume with three work or school references via email to Community Involvement Coordinator, Prairie Hale at prairie@zengerfarm.org. Cover letter should address your prior experience as a gardener/educator/facilitator and your interest and qualifications for this position. Also fill out our online volunteer application at <https://zengerfarm.secure.force.com/volunteers>. Interviews will be conducted as applications are received.

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