

Roots Farm

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General Information:

Roots Farm is a 13-acre farm located just 10 miles outside Athens, GA. Our production is Certified Naturally Grown, and utilizes about 3 acres of land including one small greenhouse and three hoop houses. We grow a wide variety of fruits and veggies, including blueberries, blackberries, strawberries, and figs, and focus our distribution locally through our 50-member CSA, the Saturday Athens Farmers Market, and online through Athens Locally Grown.

Work/Experience Desired:

We are looking for someone strongly interested in agriculture, natural growing methods, and local food. Must be able to handle sustained physical labor, follow instructions, solve problems, think creatively, work efficiently both supervised and unsupervised, have an eye for detail, a good sense of humor, a positive attitude, and the ability to communicate clearly. Farming and agriculture experience is appreciated, but not required.

Education Opportunity:

You will be given the opportunity to experience and learn all aspects of our farming system. From field preparation to seed starting, transplanting, planting, weeding, thinning, irrigating, mulching, harvesting, processing, record keeping, distributing, marketing, cooking, and more, we cover it all. We can also offer recommended readings and research resources. The intern who asks questions will get the most out of his/her experience, so we encourage you to inquire freely about our processes and procedures. In addition, we may visit other farms and discover more methods of production.

Details About Opportunity:

You will be involved in all aspects of sustainable farming – from seed to sale. You will also get to experience the community aspect of our farm, including lunches and (optional) weekly community potlucks. Expected to work 8-20 hours a week, depending on our arrangement with you. Work days are M-F, and one Saturday each month; hours vary depending on the season and include a lot of sunrises.

Stipend/Compensation:

An invaluable education, plus veggies & fruits.

Meals:

Lunch is provided. Weekly local food potlucks are available.

Housing:

N/A