



GRAZEFEST MINNESOTA INTERNSHIP

The Sustainable Farming Association of Minnesota (SFA) is accepting applications for a Summer Intern in connection with GrazeFest. *SFA is a statewide nonprofit organization with a mission to support the development and enhancement of sustainable farming systems through innovation, demonstration, education, and farmer-to-farmer networking. Visit www.sfa-mn.org for more information.*

SFA hosts GrazeFest Minnesota to promote the health benefits of pasture-raised foods, the positive environmental impacts of grazing, and the economic benefits from local, pasture-raised foods. GrazeFest Minnesota highlights well-managed grazing systems that result in healthy animals and excellent living and working conditions for farmers and rural communities. *GrazeFest™ Minnesota is a trademark of Eating Fresh Publications.*

Internship responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Hands-on management and daily chores to assist in grazing and related farming on one or more working farms or ranches.
- Assist with event planning, logistics, marketing and execution of farm field days, in addition to GrazeFest Minnesota 2010 and advance planning for GrazeFest 2011.
- Organize and maintain clear and concise records to facilitate future event planning.
- Provide administrative assistance to SFA's Executive Director and other staff.

The applicant must be available for GrazeFest Minnesota events to be determined during the summer.

SFA is seeking students pursuing degrees in the Arts or Sciences, including, but not limited to: Agriculture, Environmental Studies, Biology, Communication Studies, Health Education, Nutrition, Peace Studies, Philosophy, Sociology or Anthropology.

Preference will be given to candidates who have completed their sophomore year of college and have an interest in sustainable agriculture, grazing systems, environmental issues, local foods and/or food production. Individuals must be responsible, highly motivated and able to work independently and with a team. Intern must have strong interpersonal communication skills and computer skills. The Applicant will work both indoors and outdoors and perform physical labor duties. Applicant must possess a current driver's license, and it is preferred that the intern has access to a car.

This is a temporary, seasonal on-farm internship for the summer of 2010 (approximately 10 weeks, approximately 30 hours per week required). Internship will be based at one or more farms in Minnesota, with lodging and some local food included while on those farms. Start date is June 1st. End date is August 14th. Total internship stipend: \$1500. Mileage reimbursement for traveling off-site to internship-related events is offered in addition to the stipend.

To apply, send a completed application, cover letter, and a resume including 3 references to:

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 20, 2010