WINDWARD

modeling sustainability

About Us

The Windward Center is a nonsectarian intentional community located in rural south-central Washington. Our primary focus is on modeling practical small-scale sustainable lifestyles.

Our beautiful 131-acre site is a mix of pasture and forest and includes a wide variety of community facilities and resources.

Projects are currently underway in sustainable food systems, sustainable animal husbandry, sustainable forestry and sustainable integrated systems.

More Info

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Sustainable Living Intern Positions Available

The Windward Internship is an immersive experience in sustainable living at the small community level. Internships are offered for 12 weeks on a rolling basis at various times of the year.

Windward Interns will participate in the construction and operation of our various sustainable systems (see About Us), building theoretical understanding as well as a range of practical, hands-on skills. Duties may involve all community projects, including caring for livestock, organic gardening, food preparation and preservation, sustainable energy systems and infrastructure, light construction and equipment operation, general maintenance and upkeep.

In addition, Interns are expected to assume responsibility for their own Sustainability Project, which will be structured and developed under the guidance of Windward's Internship Coordinator and other community members, as appropriate.

Windward Interns will receive room and board during their Internship, and will be invited to participate in community meals and social activities.

Upon successful completion of their Internship, Interns who find the cooperative lifestyle appropriate for them can apply for admission to our Stewardship Apprenticeship Program and work towards full membership in the cooperative.

Requirements and Application

The Windward Internship is not a desk job. Interns will be working outside and getting their hands dirty. So you need to be in good health and physical condition.

We value initiative, common sense and inquiring minds. The ideal candidate is probably in their mid-20s with a college degree and looking for an opportunity to grow intellectually and learn practical skills. Windward Interns are probably the sort of people who don't want to climb the corporate ladder at this point in their lives, and would rather explore the adventures of cooperative community and environmentally sound practices as part of their personal quest to create a good life.

If you think that you might be such a person, we invite you to introduce yourself by means of a brief (and honest) description of your personal and educational background, your work experience (if any) and what you learned from it. Besides the facts, we want to know what makes you tick. So tell us about your interests, what you think your strengths and weaknesses are, something about why Windward draws your interest and which of our projects you'd be interested in focusing on for your Sustainability Project.

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