



Spring Valley Student Farm Housing and Employment Application



Before completing your application, please review the corresponding fact sheet linked on the SVSF website under the Housing and Employment tabs and reach out to Jessica.Larkin-Wells@uconn.edu with any questions.

Please indicate the Year and Semester/Season(s) for which you are applying.	
Year:	Check One: <input type="checkbox"/> Spring <input type="checkbox"/> Summer <input type="checkbox"/> Fall
Personal Information	
Name, chosen name, and pronouns	
Home address	
Email address	
Phone (home/cell)	
Peoplesoft number	
Which opportunity/opportunities are you applying for? Please fill in blanks if applicable.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Semester housing (requires 10 hours/week) <input type="checkbox"/> Summer housing (requires 10 hours/week from early May – end of August) <input type="checkbox"/> Summer housing for partial summer (10 hours/week from _____ to _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Summer employment (requires 20 hours/week, paid, from early May – end of August) <input type="checkbox"/> Gleaning Intern (requires 7 hours/week, paid, from mid March – end of August)	
If you are applying for multiple summer positions at SVSF, would you accept only one? Which one? (For example, would you accept housing at SVSF if you are not hired as a paid employee?)	
How did you first learn about the opportunity you are applying for?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Daily Digest post <input type="checkbox"/> EcoHouse Learning Community <input type="checkbox"/> Word of mouth <input type="checkbox"/> Dining hall slideshow <input type="checkbox"/> Instagram <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please explain)	
Academic details	

College and Degree Program	
Major/Course of Study	
Expected Graduation Date	
Experience and Interest	
<p>What interests you about this program? Why do you want to be a Spring Valley student farmer, and what do you hope to learn?</p>	
<p>Please describe your experience gardening or working on a farm, including volunteering at SVSF. What other skills and experience would you bring to the farm? (For example: landscaping, marketing, carpentry, writing, etc.)</p>	
<p>Please describe your school and/or community involvement (student organizations, extracurricular activities, etc.). How would you balance your obligations, including farming at SVSF?</p>	
<p>Student farmers can expect to get tired, hot, cold, and dirty while working outside throughout the year. Please describe your experience with manual labor (type of work, duration, climate). What is the hardest physical labor you've ever done? Why are you interested in manual labor?</p>	

What is your favorite vegetable and why?

Specific Program Details

Summer Employment applicants only:

The SVSF summer growing season runs from the second week of May through the fourth week of August. Student farmers commit to working 20 hours per week for the entire summer. Do you have any vacations or travel plans that would limit your availability on the farm?

Gleaning Intern applicants only:

Are you able to commit ~7 hours/week for the entirety of the internship period (March 20th-August 24th)? Yes No

Are you available to distribute seedlings to community members at Veggiestock on Saturday June 3rd, 2023 from 9am-3pm? Yes No

Gleaning demands vary over the course of the growing season. There is some flexibility as to when to schedule gleaning harvest/delivery over the course of the week, but some weeks may call for 7+ hours while others may call for less. Will you be able to commit to this fluctuation in hours per week? Yes No

Do you have a driver's license and reliable access to a car? Are you comfortable putting large amounts of unwashed produce in it for delivery? Yes No

Why are you interested in becoming a gleaning intern?

A large part of this program involves creating a guide to sustain this program after the internship period. Describe a time where you helped create a long-term plan and put it into effect. (This could be a group project at school, a training manual at work, etc)

Housing applicants only:

Accepted applicants may be sharing a bedroom with one roommate in a house of seven students. Why are you interested in living in community? What are your assets as a house/roommate? What might be challenging for you?

This question does not affect your admission. Select one of the following options. I am comfortable sharing my bedroom with:

- Someone with the same gender identity as me.
- Someone with any gender identity.
- Other (please explain).

Housing applicants are also required to separately submit the on-campus Residential Life housing application through MyHousing (<https://reslife.uconn.edu/housing-selection/>) to be eligible for housing at SVSF. Have you submitted your on-campus housing application?

- Yes
- No
- Other (please explain).

Returning applicants only:

How have you spent the time since your previous application to live at SVSF, and do you feel that you or your intentions have changed? If so, how so?

Electronic Signature (typed name)

Date

Please return completed application to Jessica.larkin-wells@uconn.edu with subject “SVSF Student Farmer Application.” Deadlines for applications are listed on corresponding fact sheets.

Thank you for your application!