Wolf Ridge Organic Farm strives for a high level of organization and food safety using organic farming practices in order for its farmers to operate at their fullest capacity to produce the healthiest food possible.

The Wolf Ridge Organic Farm Field Manager will bring previous vegetable growing experience in contribution to a small-scale, high production, intensively managed vegetable farm with various teaching opportunities based on the Food and Farming lesson plan. The field manager will assist in supervising interns, volunteers, and WWOOFers as needed. The Farm Manager will mentor and supervise the Field Manager.

Tasks include but are not limited to:

- Environment controlled seed-starting
- Preparing beds and amending soil
- Direct seeding and transplanting in high tunnels and field plots
- Maintaining market farming tools and materials
- Cultivating, weeding, controlling pests and disease
- Harvesting, washing, storing, and processing of vegetables and transporting them to Wolf Ridge’s sole market, the dining hall
- Contributing to Wolf Ridge’s food waste program in the dining hall and building on-farm compost
- Monitoring and harvesting Oyster and Shiitake mushrooms
- Giving farm tours to Wolf Ridge school groups, campers, and the general public
- Assisting and leading student and camper task groups and farm pizza lunch
- Serving as farm representative in the Farm Manager’s absence

Other projects include agrophenological flora and fauna data collection, weather data collection, soil sampling and analyses, cover crop and pollinator plantings, high tunnel maintenance, and fence building and maintenance. The Field Manager will collect, record, and analyze data that will benefit the farm’s successive performance.

Concepts and skills honed include but are not limited to:

- Organic farming practices including pest and disease control
- Lean farming techniques
- Compost physics and management
- Soil science applications
- Stale seed-bedding
- Season extension techniques
- Task-based education techniques
- Teaching a 3-hour farming class with assistance

Work Schedule and Compensation

- Average 40 hours per week with possible holidays and weekends
- On campus community housing with food provided
- $1000 per month stipend paid biweekly
- Use of Salsa mountain bikes on campus

Requirements:
- At least one season of vegetable farming experience
- Appreciation for fresh, nutrient dense food and the will, drive, and dedication to farm that food efficiently and effectively while maintaining a healthy farm ecosystem
- High comfort level with kids
- Leadership skills
- Basic understanding of food systems
- Experience with organic farming practices including pest and disease control desired
- Use of market farming tools such as broadforks, oscillating hoes, and wheel hoes desired
- Plant propagation and care
- 21 years of age and a high school graduate or equivalent
- In good physical condition and able to lift and carry 50 pounds
- Drivers license
- Position conditional upon acceptable background screening

For more information:
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