

UC DAVIS MARKET GARDEN - LEAD STUDENT FARMER EMPLOYEE POSITION

Position Description: Lead Student Farmers in the Market Garden are responsible for:

- Working with staff and mentoring other students to manage and produce crops in the Market Garden, a nine-acre educational organic vegetable production and marketing program at the UC Davis Student Farm.
- Assisting in all aspects of Market Garden operations, including planting, managing, irrigating, harvesting and packing vegetables for sale.
- Assisting in sales through various avenues including a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) program marketing ~ 108 baskets of organic produce to subscribing customers each week, to Dining Services, the Coffee House and the UC Davis Farmers' Market.
- Providing instruction, training and mentorship to less experienced students working in the Market Garden as interns or volunteers. Participating in weekly meetings with others in Market Garden leadership team.
- Participating in Leadership Development Training Program workshops held each quarter.
- Lead Student Farmers in the Market Garden are expected to work eight to ten hours a week during the academic year, ten to twenty hours a week in the summer, or as discussed with manager, between 8 am and 12 pm Monday-Friday as their schedule allows.

Qualifications

- Student employees should possess an understanding of organic crop production and how things are run at the Market Garden, as learned through completion of PLS 49 and/or internship (or on rare occasions volunteering experience) at the Student Farm's Market Garden.
- Additional farm or tractor experience can be beneficial, but most important is the student's ability and desire to help lead and educate fellow students that come out to the farm.
- Employees must be reliable, enthusiastic about working, take responsibility for getting things done, have the ability and willingness to work outside regardless of the time of year or weather, and interested in mentoring other students.
- Employees must be able to lift 50 lbs.
- Students must be willing to commit to a minimum of three quarters as a Student Farm employee, though short-term opportunities may occasionally be available.

Salary and time commitment: This will be a Student Assistant 3 position at \$12.25/hour plus benefits. Please plan on working 10-20 hours in the summer and 10 hours/week during Fall, Winter and Spring

How to apply: Submit an application (see below) to Market Garden Manager Raoul Adamchak by email (rwadamchak@ucdavis.edu); please copy Student Farm Director Katharina Ullmann (kullmann@ucdavis.edu). In the Subject Line write "Market Garden LSF job application." Please also let Raoul know in person that you submitted an application. To be considered for the two Summer 2019 positions please submit your application by 11:59pm May 17. For the Fall 2019 positions please submit your application by 11:59pm August 1, 2019. Decisions on who to hire will be made based on this application form.

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Name _____ Date _____

Year and Major/Grad Program _____ Anticipated Graduation Date _____

What is your previous involvement with the Student Farm? Check all that apply.

Quarter(s)

- Volunteer in MG _____
- Intern in MG _____ Specialization, if any: _____
- PLS 49 _____
- Other (describe) _____

Briefly, why do you want to work at the Market Garden?

Do you have previous farming, gardening or other relevant experience, other than at the Student Farm?
If so, where? For how long? What activities/responsibilities did you have?

Do you have tractor training and experience? If so, how much and with which implements?

Market Garden hours are 8 am to 12 pm, Monday-Friday, and student employees typically work 8-10 hours a week during the school year and 10-20 hours over the summer. Which quarters between now and your anticipated graduation date would you be interested in working, and for approximately how many hours/week?

What is your favorite part of being involved in the Student Farm?

The Market Garden depends on Lead Student Farmers who are reliable, communicative, enthusiastic about working, take responsibility for getting things done, and have the ability and willingness to work outside regardless of the time of year or weather. Please describe how you've demonstrated these qualities at the Market Garden.

Describe a situation in which you took on the role of a mentor to other students or individuals. What attributes make a good mentor?