



## Magnolia Farms 2020 Urban Farming Apprentice

Magnolia Farms is an urban incubator farm, growing on two acres of land, located primarily on Lansing's east-side. During the 2020 growing season, about one acre will be intensively cultivated, and the rest will be in cover crop, natural habitat, or long season crops. We grow produce using regenerative farming practices that focus on building and sustaining soil health. Our focus is on creating a farm that is human-powered, not reliant on fossil fuels and is resilient in the face of climate change.

**Position Description:** Magnolia Farms interns will assist in daily aspects of operating a small urban farm. Farm Apprentices will work closely with Farm Managers to gain knowledge and skills and put them into practice. Ability to work well both in teams and independently is necessary. Many tasks will require working in inclement weather and being on your feet or stooping for several hours at a time. We work to create an enjoyable work environment. Ability to stay positive and have fun while working hard is a must!

### Key Responsibilities:

- **Growing** (assist with bed prep, seeding, planting, watering, weeding, pruning, trellising of crops)
- **Harvesting** (assist with harvest, washing and packing produce and flowers for market, CSA shares, restaurants and other outlets)
- **Marketing** (assist with set-up/tear down and help run farmers market stands. Social media and networking skills are greatly desired!)
- **Other duties and tasks as assigned** (We feel strongly that everyone has a different skill set to bring to a team, while we need help with day to day farm tasks, we are excited to work with your strengths and can work with you to tailor the focus of your work to your specific interests.)

**Internship Dates:** May 2020 - September 2020, with training beginning in mid-late April (exact start and end dates are flexible).

**Hours per week:** We ask that applicants be able to commit 8-10 hours per week to this position. We work long hours during the growing season and are flexible in working to accommodate your availability.

**Compensation:** This internship is unpaid. We are a small urban farm that needs your help to grow. All revenue is currently going back into building the farm. This position is perfect for someone who is interested in gaining concrete farming skills, while helping to create a more resilient local food system. Weekly produce shares and occasional meals will be provided. *College credit available (for qualified courses)*

**How to apply and interview dates:** To apply, fill out our [application form](#) by March 30th, 2020.

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