



PHILADELPHIA ORCHARD PROJECT

2016 Community Partner Intern

The Philadelphia Orchard Project (POP) is seeking an intern from among its community partners for the 2016 season. This intern will work primarily with The Program Director to develop POP's capacity to teach a diverse population in Philadelphia about organic perennial food-growing practices and the wide array of permaculture-related lifestyle options.

Activities:

The intern will:

- participate in weekly orchard workdays and events at various orchards;
- choose from a variety of topics to research and create content for POP's blog, orchard listserv, and future publications;
- brainstorm and help facilitate better information dissemination in its orchard communities and communication among orchard partners

Purpose:

- to utilize and strengthen existing POP partnerships;
- to learn from community partners more experienced in youth mentoring and training;
- to contribute to mentoring the next generation of farm and food justice workers in the city;
- to work with city residents to create more relevant programming

Details:

- 9 months: March 1 - November 30
- Average of 10-12 hours per week, with some weeks more and some weeks less (350 hour minimum, some weekend and evening hours required)
- \$3,000 stipend: \$300 paid at the end of each month, plus \$300 bonus upon completion
- 50/50 office-based research work and hands-on community orchard work

Qualifications:

- at least 18 years of age and a resident of Philadelphia;
- successfully completed an internship or work program with one of POP's partner organizations or Philadelphia urban agriculture affiliates;
- simultaneously self-motivated and able to take direction;
- committed to learning about Philadelphia's food system, orchard care, and permaculture;

- enthusiastic about both hands-on work and office-based computer work;
- interest in and comfort with working in various Philadelphia neighborhoods;
- willingness to work outside in a variety of weather conditions;
- ability to travel (bike, walk, SEPTA, car, etc.);
- access to a computer or willingness to work from a public library or community center

To apply, submit a cover letter of 500 words or less, a one-page resume, and 2 references--at least one from the urban agriculture organization where you worked, to robyn@phillyorchards.org. POP is an equal opportunity employer and candidates of all backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

Applications for this position are due by Wednesday, February 10th.

Please email robyn@phillyorchards.org or call 215-571-9506 if you have questions about this position.