

JOB/INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY INFORMATION

Employer	Headlong Farm
Address	965 FM 3000, Elgin, TX 78621
Job/Internship Type	Paid - Stipend of \$500 plus discounts on products
Specialization	Ag Business
Job/Internship Title	Farm Intern
Description	Interns needed for help with multiple projects. Looking to onboard 1-3 interns, based on project needs. Current projects include: Compost System Project Our composting plan involves both a three-stage composting workflow for kitchen and small vegetative refuse, plus one large Johnson-Su bioreactor which is mostly for the large amounts of goat stall litter we regularly generate. Here's a quick rundown of what we'd like to do: • 3-bay composting area • Three 3'x3'x3' bays • Wood, hardware cloth, & PVC construction with top, bottom, side, & interior aeration • Removable doors & lids for adding, turning, & clearing out composting material • Lightweight dripline or sprinkler setup for adding moisture • Small sign/whiteboard summarizing the standard operating procedure for compost so employees know what to do & when • Small, covered tool area to hold compost-specific tools such as shovels, forks, & thermometers • Johnson-Su bioreactor • One six- or eight-foot tall cylinder, measuring roughly four or five feet in diameter • Cattle panel, landscape fabric, PVC, wood, & rebar construction to achieve top, bottom, side, & interior aeration • Lightweight dripline or sprinkler setup for adding moisture <u>Skills involved in this project include:</u> • Basic woodworking (power drills, miter saw, leveling, accurate measurements, etc.) • Basic PVC work (cutting, joining, fitting converters, etc.)

- Documentation work (understanding & communicating task steps)
- Ability to research & learn new skills

Orchard Planting Project

For those interested in trees, we have roughly half an acre in a wet weather creek area that is the target for our new orchard. We plan to use permaculture principles to create a form of food forest.

What follows is an outline of the project:

Planning phases

- Using permaculture principles to understand the various influences that affect the orchard site
- Performing & documenting zone, sector, soil, and other analyses under our direction

Additional Comments

- Auditing current supplies to create purchase lists & finding needed supplies at competitive prices
- Site preparation & planting phases
- Mowing around the area to reduce competitive grasses & weeds
- Planting 10-20 fruit, nut, & shade trees according to the plan w/ accompanying companion plants
- Relocating about 20 volunteer oak trees in a small natural in-ground nursery in the back pasture to the front pasture
- Performing initial staging of tools and infrastructure, establishment maintenance, & fertilization

Skills involved include:

- Researching orchard design practices
- Creating & documenting highly actionable, flexible, and detailed plans
- Competitive shopping, negotiation
- Using an auger, shovel, & other tools to plant trees
- Setting up small-scale irrigation infrastructure

Market Garden Rehab Project

There's a 1/8th market garden in our back pasture. It's made up of two bed blocks, with ten 50-foot beds in each. We need to rescue it from the weeds that have taken over, apply cardboard, & then add a compost/soil mixture to make the beds ready for

no-till planting. We will probably transition it to the front pasture area.

For this project we'll be doing the following:

- Site preparation
- Understanding current site layout, irrigation infrastructure
- Assessing condition of beds, flagging & marking
- Mowing around the outsides of the beds
- Bed renewal
- Spot flame- & hand-weeding
- Laying rolls of cardboard to both beds and walkways for weed suppression
- Applying planting mix to the desired depth
- Using BCS two-wheeled tractor with power harrow attachment to create smooth seedbeds
- Rainwater irrigation setup
- Testing current pressure & condition of equipment to create purchase list
- Laying out distribution headers, connecting drip lines

Skills for this project include:

- Basic hand tool work (shovels, rakes, forks, etc.)
- Basic PVC work (cutting, joining, fitting converters, etc.)
- Using a small-scale, walk-behind tractor
- Documentation work"

Positions Available	2
Application Deadline	-
Hours/Week	1-20
Semester/Year	2026
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Additional Notes	