



## Spring Valley Student Farm General Application 2024



Before completing your application, please review the corresponding fact sheet linked on the SVSF website under the Housing and Employment tabs. Reach out to [Jessica.Larkin-Wells@uconn.edu](mailto:Jessica.Larkin-Wells@uconn.edu) with any questions.

**We welcome people of all backgrounds and experience levels. We look forward to learning about you and what you would like to bring to the farm!**

<b>Personal Information</b>	
Name and chosen name	
Pronouns	
Home address	
Email address	
Phone	
Peoplesoft number	
Which opportunity/opportunities are you applying for?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Spring Semester housing (requires 10 hours of farm work per week, full semester) <input type="checkbox"/> Fall Semester housing (requires 10 hours of farm work per week, full semester) <input type="checkbox"/> Summer housing (requires 10 hours/week, May - August) <input type="checkbox"/> Summer employment (20 hours/week, paid, May - August)	
Have you read the Fact Sheet that corresponds with the position you are applying for? These are found linked on the SVSF website under the <a href="#">Housing</a> and <a href="#">Employment</a> tabs.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please explain).	
<b>Academic details:</b> Please keep in mind that housing at SVSF is only open to full-time undergraduate UConn students.	
College and Degree Program	
Major/Course of Study	
Expected Graduation Date	

**Experience and Interest:** If you are a returning applicant, you may skip this section and only answer the final question marked for returning applicants.

Have you ever visited Spring Valley Student Farm?     Yes     No

If yes, please describe your past involvement visiting or volunteering at SVSF.

Why do you want to be a Spring Valley student farmer? What are you enthusiastic about learning or doing at the farm? If you have any prior experience with gardening or farm work, please include that here. If you don't, share with us why you are seeking this experience!

Please describe your school and/or community involvement (student organizations, extracurricular activities, etc.). What weekly/obligations are you committed to, and how would you balance your commitments with farming at SVSF?

Student farmers can expect to get tired, hot, cold, and dirty while working outside throughout the year. Please describe your interest and experience with manual labor (type of work, duration, climate). What is your comfort level completing hard physical labor, and do you have concerns about being able to do this type of work?

What is your favorite vegetable and why?

## Specific Program Details

**Housing applicants only:** Accepted applicants will be living as a part of a community of students with diverse backgrounds and identities. Why are you interested in living in a community as opposed to traditional on-campus housing?

**Housing applicants only:** Accepted applicants will most likely be sharing a bedroom with one roommate in a house of seven students. What are your assets as a house/roommate? What might be challenging for you, or what skills are you hoping to learn?

**Housing applicants only:** Housing applicants are also required to separately submit the on-campus Residential Life housing application through MyHousing and be approved for on-campus housing in order to be eligible for housing at SVSF. Have you submitted your on-campus housing application?

Yes    No    Other (please explain).

**Housing applicants only:** Are you already approved for on-campus housing at UConn for the semester for which you are applying?

Yes    No / not yet    Other (please explain).

**Summer Employment applicants only:** The SVSF summer growing season runs from the second week of May through the fourth week of August. Student farmers commit to working 20 hours per week for the entire summer. Please share any vacations or travel plans that would limit your availability on the farm.

**Returning applicants only:** Applicants who have applied to the farm for residential or paid positions in the past can choose to answer this question only. What have you been up to since your last application for the farm? Have your thoughts or motivations for applying to the farm changed at all, and if so, how? Is there anything else you would like to share?

Electronic Signature (type your name): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return your completed application as a pdf attachment via email to [Jessica.larkin-wells@uconn.edu](mailto:Jessica.larkin-wells@uconn.edu) with subject line “SVSF Student Farmer Application.”**

Thank you for your application!