



SHONE FARM RESIDENT PROGRAM

Shone Farm

Santa Rosa Junior College

7450 Steve Olson Lane

Forestville, CA 95436

Shone Farm is a 365-acre outdoor learning laboratory for the SRJC Agriculture & Natural Resources Department. Located 12 miles from the Santa Rosa campus, between the towns of Forestville and Windsor, the farm consists of vineyards, forest, pasture, and a sustainable horticulture garden. Students enrolled in the Ag/NR program learn commercial production techniques that prepare them for employment, or transfer to a four-year university.

Students selected to participate in the Shone Farm Resident Program must carry a full time class load (12 units) for the fall and spring semesters. A grade point average of 2.0 or higher is required while residing at Shone Farm. Students with Agriculture and Natural Resource majors will have priority during the selection process.

Students selected for the Resident Program are required to work 12 hours per week, including weekends and holidays. The number of hours per week can vary with farm activities, but should average out to 48 hours by the end of each month. In lieu of a monthly rental charge, student occupants will be required to perform a variety of duties, including, but not limited to the following:

1. Perform general cleaning and upkeep of Shone Farm buildings and surrounding areas. This may include trash disposal, restroom and floor cleaning, and safety checks of fire extinguishers and first aid kits, as requested by the Farm Manager or designated Shone Farm staff member.
2. Perform routine farm chores to include maintenance of farm facilities, equipment and pasture, and other routine chores as requested by the Farm Manager or designated Shone Farm staff member.
3. Perform routine duties in the Sustainable Ag unit such as watering, and some crop maintenance. Perform landscaping duties in general farm areas, as well as watering, fertilizing, pruning, and trash collection, as requested by the Farm Manager or designated Shone Farm staff member.
4. Perform routine duties in the forest, including trail maintenance, removal of invasive plant species, tree planting and lumber milling, as requested by the Farm Manager or designated Shone Farm staff member.

Residents may have the opportunity to become student employees and to work more than the minimum number of hours (12) required for residency. The additional hours will be at the prevailing student rate.

Student occupants are required to maintain their kitchen areas, bedroom and restroom in a clean and orderly condition. The student will perform this upkeep on his or her own time, and this does not count towards fulfillment of the monthly work-trade obligation. It is important that these areas be maintained to the standard determined by the Farm Manager.

The College reserves the right to enter the student resident area for purposes of health, safety or maintenance, at a reasonable time and with reasonable notice, or in the event of an emergency.

A cleaning and repair deposit of \$100 is payable prior to moving in. This deposit will be refunded when the student vacates the student housing. Refunds will be issued in full, or in part, depending on the condition the room is left in, as determined by the Farm Manager.

Student occupants are responsible for preparing their own meals and doing their own laundry.

Resident Housing Rules of Conduct

These rules were developed to promote the best interest of the occupants as individuals, as well as serve the best interest of all those at Shone Farm. These proscriptions are reasonable and curtail freedom of action only if it is a disservice to others who use the Farm facilities.

READ THESE RULES CAREFULLY! If you cannot follow **ALL** of them as stated, please **DO NOT** accept housing at the farm.

1. No student shall be in the use, possession, sale, distribution or presence of alcoholic beverages, narcotics, hallucinogenic drugs or substances, or any poison classified as such, by section 4160 of the Business and Professions Code, in or about Shone Farm.
2. Weapons are not permitted on SRJC Shone Farm property, including, but not limited to: air rifles, pellet guns, knives, fireworks, explosives and firearms.
3. Smoking is prohibited at SRJC Shone Farm.
4. Flammable materials such as gasoline and cleaning solvents are not to be kept in the resident areas.
5. Dogs, cats and rodents may not be kept as pets.
6. Residents are not permitted to paint, alter or repair any part of the resident areas or its furnishing without permission of the Farm Manager.
7. Visitors are allowed in student rooms **ONLY** between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. and only if both residents of the room give their permission. No guests are allowed when residents are not present. Overnight guests are not allowed.
8. Courtesy quiet hours are from 11:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. During these hours, each student is expected not to disturb any other occupant by noise or interruption in the resident areas, and the immediate vicinity. Sound systems must be played low enough so that they are not heard in other rooms. At any time when sound systems are being played so loudly that they annoy other occupants, the owner will be required to turn them off.
9. The Farm Manager will evaluate the quality of your work on a regular basis. Unsatisfactory evaluation may result in dismissal from the student resident program.
10. Student occupants must pay for any damages they cause to the resident areas. The Farm Manager will determine the cost of the damage.



Shone Farm Dorm Application

Application Materials

Please provide the following with your application:

1. Personal Essay/Cover Letter

- a. State your reason for requesting residence for the student internship housing.
- b. Include a brief history of your background that encompasses your agricultural experiences, activities, work experience, and achievements.
- c. Expound upon your future educational and career goals.
- d. Limit this statement to two pages.

2. Resume

3. Copy of your High School/College Transcript

4. New Student – Current Letters of recommendation

- a. Two 'Letters of Recommendation' must be dated after January 1, 2026.
- b. Provide one letter from a school-related source.
- c. Provide one letter from a non-school related source, (i.e. work supervisor, religious organization, leader, community organizations, etc.)
- d. Please no letters from friends or relatives.

Application Submission

Applications may be mailed or emailed to srjchonefarm@santarosa.edu.

Please mail your application to the following address:

Janet Stribling
SRJC Shone Farm
7450 Steve Olson Lane
Forestville CA, 95436

Questions

If there are any questions regarding the Internship Application, please contact: Janet Stribling, SRJC Shone Farm Administrative Assistant III, at jstribling@santarosa.edu or 707-527-4653.



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Personal Information

New Student

Returning Student

Name: _____

SRJC Student ID#: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Cell Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Do you have a Driver's License? Yes No

Will you have a vehicle while attending college? Yes No

Social Media Usernames: _____

Address: _____

High School Attended: _____

Graduation Date: _____

Semester/Year SRJC Attendance begins: _____

What area of the farm are you interested in working?

Livestock, Garden, Horticulture, Sales/Marketing, or no preference:



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Please list any SRJC Staff/Students that you know:

SRJC Staff Contacts:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

SRJC Student Contacts:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

References

Reference #1:

Name: _____

Position/Title: _____

Email Address: _____

Business/Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Reference #2:

Name: _____

Position/Title: _____

Email Address: _____

Business/Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Reference #3:

Name: _____

Position/Title: _____

Email Address: _____

Business/Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____