

2007 Apprentice Application

Please read the following documents before completing your application, available on-line at

<http://www.fallsbrookcentre.ca/agriculture/apprenticeships.htm>:

- 2007 Program Description
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Apprentice: Role and Expectations



Feel free to use the back of this form if there is not enough space to accommodate your answers. Your application will be forwarded to farmers that you indicate you are interested in, so this is your chance to let them know you are right for them!

Name:

Age:

Phone:

E-mail:

Address:

1. List the top 3 farms and research projects that are of interest to you (see farm descriptions on the website listed above):

Farm	Research Project
1.	
2.	
3.	

Section A: Your Skills and Interests

2. Please describe your previous organic farming or related experiences, if any.

3. Please list the farm experiences and skills that are of interest to you and describe any other related interests you may have. What do you want to learn about?

4. Describe your ideal work day. How will you overcome the challenges of non-ideal work conditions?

Section B: Living on the Farm

5. What will be the biggest challenge for you working and living in a rural area, and staying with a farm family?

6. What is your preferred type of accommodation/living arrangements?

7. Do you have any dietary considerations? Will you eat meat or eggs raised on the farm?

8. Vehicles:

- a. Do you have a driver's license?
- b. Do you have transportation?
- c. Can you drive standard transmission?
- d. What experience do you have using farm machinery (ie. tractors, diesel trucks, draft horse equipment, etc.)?

9. Please list any physical, psychological or emotional limitations you have or had that may affect your ability as an apprentice.

10. Is the provision of a modest living allowance/stipend crucial to your ability to become an apprentice? Please explain.

Section C: The Program

11. How did you hear about this program?

12. What is the main attraction for you to the NBOFAP?

13. What is your availability/commitment to the length of the program (ie. full 6 months, late start date, early end, etc.)?

14. Will you be able to visit the farm of someone with whom you may wish to apprentice, or participate in a probationary period at the start of the season?

15. There is a \$250 fee for apprentices for the 2007 year. The first \$100 is due on April 28th. The remaining \$150 is due before the end of the program. Bursaries are available for applicants that show financial need.
- Are you applying for a bursary?
 - What amount are you requesting?
 - Explain why you should be selected to receive financial support

Section D: Completing the Application

16. **References:** Provide 2 copies of your current resume including academics, paid and volunteer work. Please provide contact information for 3 references (1 professional, and 2 others).

Type	Name	Contact Info
Professional		
Other		
Other		

17. **Resume:** Please 1 copy provide your current resume.
18. **Essay:** Please answer the following questions in about 500 words:
*“What are your future intentions in organic agriculture?
 How will this program help you get there?”*
19. **Application fee:** Include the \$30 application fee (cheques made payable to “Falls Brook Centre”). Applications will be processed when fees are received.
20. **Please send this complete application by January 19th, 2007 by one of the following ways:**
- NB Organic Farm Apprenticeship Program
 Falls Brook Centre
 125 South Knowlesville Road
 Knowlesville, New Brunswick E7L 1B1
 - Fax: 506-375-4221
 - E-mail: agriculture@fallsbrookcentre.ca