



Dear Student,

Summer is coming and so it's time to go outside! Join us!

After a big success previous year, we are organising again the FEI, Farm Experience Internship, an amazing 3ECTS summer course which intends to bring together theoretical knowledge from (non-)students with practical skills and knowledge from farmers. Are you interested in growing your own food, discovering local knowledge and practices on organic farms in the Netherlands? Do you want to learn about permaculture, agroecology, food sovereignty and sustainable food systems? Or would you like to interact and discuss with farmers to find creative, innovative ways of farming? Join the FEI from **5-27 August 2014!** Send a mail to [farmexperienceinternship@gmail.com!](mailto:farmexperienceinternship@gmail.com)

Are you having the idea that milk comes from a factory and tomatoes grow underground? No worries, everyone can join – because you will be prepared during the first week, full of lectures, workshops, debates and excursions!

1. Preparation: lectures, workshops, excursions, group work

During the first phase of the FEI, you will get to know about all kinds of topics related to agriculture, e.g. agroecology, permaculture, sustainable food systems, food sovereignty, seed patents etc. We cook together and eat together – sharing knowledge, food and have a good time. The preparation week will be held at Droevendaal Experimental Farm of WUR and the schedule is full day.

2. Let's go farming! Practical experience on a Dutch farm

After the preparation week, each student is sent to a different farm somewhere in the Netherlands. (Before the start of the FEI, you can tell us your preference, e.g. food forest, goat farm, organic garden etc.) For two weeks you will be full time working together with the farmer, following his/her working rhythm, learning practical skills and local knowledge. The participating farms are mostly organic, however some are currently still seeking for a more sustainable management practices (which is very interesting for you as a student: can you find ways to support the farmer?!)

3. Evaluation

After two weeks harvesting, feeding cows, goats, or making cheese, students will come back to Droevendaal Experimental Farm in Wageningen for the evaluation phase. Share experience and discuss what you've learned.

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PREVIOUS YEAR...**



Would you like to participate or do you have any questions?

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Wageningen University is supporting the FEI 2014 through the chairgroups **Farming Systems Ecology (FSE)** and **Rural Sociology (RSO)**. Via these chairgroups you can obtain 3 ECTS after completing the Farm Experience Internship and handing in the evaluation report. For non (WUR) students, a certificate is handed out by the FSE group.

We hope to see you this summer from 5-27 August 2014!

Do you have any questions or would you like to sign up?

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