

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM INFORMATION

Terms of internship and how to apply

Thank you for your interest in our internship program. We accept interns from universities, culinary schools and private interest from March until December. To apply, please read this sheet, then fill out and submit the web form online. One of our chefs will be in touch about availability at their earliest convenience.

Arrival and housing logistics

The Willows Inn is located on beautiful Lummi Island, just west of Bellingham, Washington. It is accessible by sea plane and ferry. The ferry at Gooseberry Point runs frequently. More information can be found at the following website for cost and times: http://www.co.whatcom.wa.us/382/Ferry

Housing is available through The Willows Inn for interns on a first come, first serve basis.

Duties, opportunities and expectations

Due to seasonality of the Pacific Northwest, The Willows is open as follows:

2016

September 1 – September 19, Thursday – Monday

September 22 – December 18, Thursday – Sunday

2017

March 17 – March 31, Friday – Sunday

April 1 – May 28, Thursday – Sunday

May 29 – July 4, Thursday – Monday

July 5 – August 31, Wednesday – Monday

September 1 – September 30, Thursday – Monday

October 1 – December 17, Thursday – Sunday

Weekly Schedule

Interns are expected to work all days the chef team is in the kitchen. Depending on the time and duration of your internship, we are open 4-6 days a week.

All kitchen staff arrives on a schedule determined by the chef team, depending on which program(s) you're studying under.

Expectations

Interns will assist in duties ranging from dishwashing and organization of stock, to breaking down product, prep cooking, plating and serving - the same duties as all chefs on staff. Interns help in the kitchen, at the farm and in our on-site gardens. Your work will support all three programs - breakfast, midday and dinner.

All interns must be able to work up to 10 hours on their feet, lift 50lbs or more on a regular basis and provide their food handlers permits upon arrival.

Lummi Island is a small, close knit community that supports The Willows Inn in many ways. As such, every employee and intern at The Willows is a recognizable face and presence on the island. Interns are expected to conduct themselves in a professional, respectful manner that reflects the respect we have for our neighbors and supporters on the island.