

# Linc Farm is a growing sheep farm in River John, Nova Scotia, Canada.

We are dedicated to restoring and caring for our land and animals. We have two main flocks: purebred Rambouillet and Rambouillet x Finnsheep, and a commercial meat flock, and we're expecting 500+ lambs this year.

We rotationally graze our animals in spring through fall, and move into the barns for winter. We lamb in barns, artificially rear extra lambs on a milk machine, and pasture our lambs as long as the season allows. We make our own silage and hay with the goal to feed as little grain as possible. Our primary product is meat, but we also grow a valuable wool crop and have a small herd of Speckle Park cattle.

## INTERNSHIP DESCRIPTION

Linc Farm is seeking a farm intern to assist with lambing and overall flock and farm management in the spring and summer of 2023. Our lambing season begins March 15<sup>th</sup> through to the end of June. The duration of the internship can be flexible, but 2-month lengths would be preferred. Interested applicants are encouraged to apply immediately, but would ideally begin mid-May and extend to August.

#### Tasks for Spring:

- Assisting ewes with delivery when needed during lambing, maintaining a clean environment, care of newborn lambs, feeding bottle lambs.
- Monitoring health and growth of ewes and lambs
- General husbandry: weighing, health trouble shooting
- Daily chores, feeding, watering, and bedding of sheep
- Record keeping of sheep performance

#### Tasks for Summer:

- Intensive rotational grazing using electro-net fencing, portable watering systems
- High tensile fence construction and repair
- \* Plus, depending on interest...
- Basic tractor driving
- Hay making including equipment operation and maintenance
- Soil amendment application
- Forage sampling, testing, formulation of animal rations
- Assisting with grazing planning

#### **Applicant Qualifications and Attributes:**

- Problem solver, positive attitude
- Interest in sheep, grazing, grass, and soil
- Dependable and on time
- Comfortable with irregular "farm hours"
- Strong or willing to get that way! (able to lift 50 pounds)
- Pluses: drivers license, interest in or skill with heavy equipment; experience with livestock, especially sheep

### Compensation, Housing:

- Room and Board: A room in our oceanfront farmhouse with beach access, meals, wi-fi etc. provided.
- Compensation: This position would be paid through stipend/paid travel and this compensation will be discussed further with interested candidates

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