



## St James City Farm & Riding School



### Volunteer & Work Experience Role Description

Role	Farm Work Experience Students & Volunteers
<b>Role Description</b>	<p>To assist with all aspects of animal care.</p> <p>Typical duties include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ helping with daily feeding routines</li> <li>○ mucking out and cleaning enclosures</li> <li>○ keeping visitor areas clean by regularly sweeping the yard and paths</li> <li>○ providing exercise and enrichment for the animals</li> <li>○ putting the animals back into their enclosures at end of the day</li> <li>○ helping with housekeeping duties eg keeping the indoor facilities clean and tidy including emptying bins and washing up crockery.</li> </ul> <p>This is a physical role that involves mostly cleaning duties and a high level of independent working. The majority of the work takes place in the morning. It should be an enjoyable experience but treated like work (no phones, etc. except during breaks)</p>
<b>Role Requirements</b>	<p>Volunteers/Students should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ have an interest in animals and their welfare</li> <li>○ be prepared to get dirty and stuck in with routine cleaning tasks</li> <li>○ be prepared to work outdoors in all weather</li> <li>○ be able to take on physically demanding tasks</li> <li>○ be able to work independently</li> <li>○ be able to interact with fellow volunteers and visitors in an appropriate, helpful and friendly manner.</li> </ul> <p>It is understood that individuals with additional needs may have difficulty meeting some of the above requirements. This will be discussed on application and the outcome may be that individuals are accompanied by a carer/teacher/guardian.</p> <p>We rely on volunteers and work experience students to contribute to the running of the Farm, without them we simply wouldn't be able to have the animals. We expect students to be reliable and committed to their role. Enthusiasm and willingness is essential, farm skills and knowledge can be taught.</p>

<p><b>Please Bring</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wellies / waterproof outdoor work boots</li> <li>• Clothing you don't mind getting dirty including work gloves</li> <li>• Waterproof clothing / warm clothing / sun cream (weather dependent).</li> <li>• Your own lunch (or there are local supermarkets nearby)</li> <li>• Any medication required (e.g. inhalers, epipen, etc).</li> </ul>
<p><b>Role Frequency</b></p>	<p>Monday – Friday (or set days to suit, including weekends)</p> <p>Full days are 9.30am - 5pm summer (or 4pm winter).</p> <p>Shorter hours are possible if necessary when arranged in advance.</p> <p>There is a morning break and a lunch break.</p>
<p><b>Charity</b></p>	<p>'<b>The Friendship Cafe</b>' is the name of the charity who run the community centre at Chequers Bridge Centre and <b>St James City Farm &amp; Riding School</b>.</p> <p>Imran Atcha : Charity Coordinator</p>
<p><b>Address</b></p>	<p><b>St James City Farm</b>, Albany Street, Gloucester, GL1 4NG</p> <p><b>The Friendship Café</b>, Chequers Bridge Centre, Painswick Road, Gloucester, GL4 6PR</p>
<p><b>Contact</b></p>	<p>If you are interested in finding out more about work experience or volunteering opportunities at the farm please email Imran <a href="mailto:imran@thefriendshipcafe.com">imran@thefriendshipcafe.com</a> or <a href="mailto:jackie@stjamescityfarm.co.uk">jackie@stjamescityfarm.co.uk</a> or phone <u>01452 308127</u> or <u>07943622663</u></p> <p>Please state which week(s) or days you would like to volunteer and provide us with any other relevant information such as additional needs.</p> <p>Thanks for your interest and we look forward to hearing from you.</p> <p><b><u>If you have already started your voluntary placement at the farm and have any queries, or ever need to let them know that you are unable to attend when they are expecting you,</u></b></p> <p><b><u>PLEASE RING THE FARM DIRECTLY</u></b></p> <p><b>01452 305728 or 07943622663 (Jackie)</b></p>