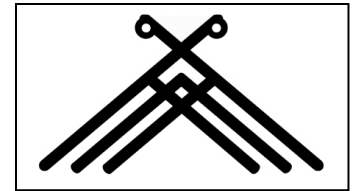


Work Study: Week-Long Program – 2016

Linking Community Service and Traditional Craft



Work, Study, Accessibility – these three words capture the vision of the Work Study Program at North House Folk School. Indeed, it is exactly what it says – an opportunity to work in a program support/community service role on campus while earning credit towards taking a course in traditional craft. Work Study is part of North House scholarship/accessibility program.

HOW IT WORKS

The Work Study Programs (W/S) are structured around four basic ideas:

1. Work Study tasks and sessions align with North House's needs for peak season campus support, weekly operational needs, preparation for major events and other special projects. Accordingly, a series of Work Study Sessions are offered during the core program season.
2. Anyone may sign up for Work Study programs. That said, Work Study is a key North House strategy for insuring that our programs are financially accessible to everyone. Our goal is to attract participants highly interested in North House's commitment to building community, motivated to work in a community service role and interested in hands-on learning & traditional craft.
3. Program participants should be willing and physically capable of completing a wide range of physical projects. Sweeping floors, washing dishes, setting up classrooms, moving tables, cleaning bathrooms, mowing grass, watering gardens, folding letters and more. Opportunities to share stories, drink coffee/tea, eat pizza from our wood-fired oven and get to know the North House community can also be anticipated. That said, please let us know if you have special circumstances; we may be able to accommodate.
4. In exchange for hours spent "earning" on campus participants are compensated with Work Study coupons (\$75 per 8 hours of work) that can be used towards tuition for coursework or sailing aboard the schooner *Hjordis*. Work Study coupons are good for one year, and are transferrable to other people. Work Study coupons cannot be used towards materials fees, which W/S students are required to pay for themselves.

HOW TO APPLY

Applying for the program is easy. Simply apply online on our website OR complete and return the attached W/S application form. Note that openings in each session and in weekly roles are limited. While applications are welcome at any time, please note deadlines for when assignment of specific sessions will begin (any open dates after these deadlines will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis).

BRING A FRIEND

Please let us know if you'd like to bring a friend/partner/spouse along to work for the week. Note: with two people working side-by-side, there may not be as many hours available of tuition credit for each participant.

SCHEDULE & SESSION OPTION

Spring/Summer Sessions – May, June & July

Applications are welcome anytime. Session assignment will begin March 1st. Expect to earn 24-32+ hours of W/S credit during each session. See website to clarify which sessions are available.

- May 3rd until May 9th
- May 10th until May 16th
- May 17th until May 23rd
- May 24th until May 30th
- May 31st until June 6th **Northern Landscapes Festival**
- June 7th until June 13th
- June 14th until June 20th **Wooden Boat Show & Summer Solstice Pageant**
- June 21th until June 27th
- June 28th until July 4th
- July 5th until July 11th
- July 12th until July 18th
- July 19th until July 25th
- July 26th until August 1st

Late-Summer/Fall Sessions – August & September

Applications are welcome anytime. Session assignment will begin June 1st. Expect to earn 24-32+ hours of W/S credit during each session. See website to clarify which sessions are available.

- August 2nd until August 8th
- August 9th until August 15th
- August 16th until August 22nd
- August 23rd until August 29th
- August 30th until September 5th
- September 6th until September 12th
- September 13th until September 19th **Unplugged (September 15-18)**
- September 20th until September 26th
- September 27th until October 3rd
- October 4th until October 10th
- October 11th until October 17th
- October 18th until October 24th **Family Weekend**
- October 25th until October 31st

GENERAL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Tuesday	1-3pm: meet with NHFS staff for a general tour, review W/S duties and job directions, and prep for project (2-3 hours)
Wednesday	8-10am: general cleaning (2 hours) 10am onward: projects as assigned (2 hours) 1-4pm: set-up for upcoming classes (2-3 hours)
Thursday	8am-10am: general cleaning (2 hours) 10am onward: projects as assigned (2-3 hours)
Friday	8am-10am: general cleaning (2 hours) 10am onward: projects as assigned (2-3 hours)
Saturday	8am-10am: general cleaning (2 hours) 10am onward: projects as assigned (2-3 hours)
Sunday	8am-10am: general cleaning (2 hours) 10am onward: projects as assigned (2-3 hours)
Monday	8am-10am: general cleaning (2 hours) 10am-noon: breaking down & prepping for next classes Quick exit interview and debrief.

MORE INFORMATION

Specific questions are welcome anytime. Please contact the Program Coordinator, Matt Nesheim at mnesheim@northhouse.org or call 218.387.9762.

Lodging

Week-Long Work Study participants are in charge of their own lodging. During their assigned session, individuals willing to tent are welcome to utilize one complimentary tent spot located next door at the Grand Marais Recreation Park. There is no parking at the campsite, so anticipate your car being parked on a nearby side-street. The Recreation Park includes shower facilities. Other options include nearby forest service campgrounds, area lodging establishments (please request a lodging list) or other creative solutions.

Compensation Specifics

For each 8 hours of work, Work Study participants earn \$75 of credit towards tuition for any class. Partial days worked are pro-rated. This gift certificate can be applied towards tuition for any class or sailing on the schooner Hjordis. W/S coupons cannot combine with other discounts (local, inter-generational, etc). Certificates are transferrable to other people and cannot be used for materials fees (all W/S students must pay the materials fee for their courses).

Requirements

The Work Study Program is an essential piece of the puzzle during a typical week at North House. Accordingly, we ask that all participants make sure they fully understand the requirements and duties associated with the program. These include:

- * participating in outdoor, physical and messy work. Lifting and moving heavy objects.
- * arriving on time, completing assigned projects and asking for direction once tasks are completed or if unsure how to complete a project

Selection of Candidates

North House selects candidates and assigns session dates based upon the Work Study Programs goals and structured within the need for campus support. Key amongst these are insuring program accessibility and supporting ongoing programs. Session assignments will begin on the dates noted. Selection is solely up to the discretion of North House. North House reserves the right to make changes to the W/S program at any time.

Special Projects

Occasionally, North House has special projects that work well for W/S participants. Some examples could include indoor/outdoor painting projects, building custom chair racks, or remodeling classroom spaces. The times for these projects vary. Specific skills (such as carpentry) are sometimes needed. Please indicate your interest on the application and North House staff will contact you to check if such a project becomes available.

Registering for Classes/Cancellation Policy

Work Study students need to register for their courses through the regular registration channels and need to make a deposit (either \$50 OR the materials fee, whichever is greater). If enough credits are earned, a deposit can be reimbursed at the time of the class. North House's cancellation policy applies to W/S students. If NH must cancel a course, students will receive a full refund of any payments made for that course. Students who cancel their enrollment more than 21 days prior to the first day of the course will receive a refund less a \$50 cancellation fee to cover administrative costs. In recognition of the time and energy instructors invest in preparing for courses, students who cancel their enrollment 21 days or less prior to the first day of the course are not eligible for a refund.

Week-Long Work Study Application Form - 2015

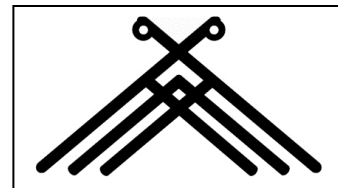
North House Folk School

Mail to: NHFS

PO Box 759

Grand Marais, MN 55604

mnesheim@northhouse.org



Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone number(s) _____

Email _____

On a separate sheet or document please respond to the following questions.

1) Tell us about yourself! Please introduce yourself in a paragraph or two. Highlight your interest & experience in traditional craft, outline community service work you've done, tell us about your prior involvement with North House or other folk schools, etc.

2) Why are you interested in the Work Study program? How would participating in the program make North House more accessible to you?

3) Please list the three sessions (see listing of dates, list in order of priority) that you would be available for and willing to participate in. Please consult the W/S web page to clarify which session dates are still available.

4) Do you have specific skills we should know about (experience in carpentry, painting, etc.)?

5) Work Study can include physically demanding work. Participants should expect to be on their feet for most of the day, lift 50+ pounds and occasionally deal with stinky garbage, heavy objects and dirty dishes. Do you have any physical limitations or other concerns that we should be aware of?

6) Will you be bringing a friend/partner/spouse? If so, please include their name, phone number and e-mail address here.

7) I understand the following (read and check all to continue):

- _____ I will arrive on campus by 1:00 pm on the Friday of my scheduled session.
- _____ I will be participating in outdoor, physical, and messy work.
- _____ I am responsible for any tuition not covered by Work Study hours.
- _____ I am responsible for any materials fee for the course I take..
- _____ My Work Study credits expire one years after they are issued.

Signature _____ Date _____