

Program Details : MSU Organic Farmer Training Program

Provider Name :	Michigan State University
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Provider Primary Area :	Ingham County
Program Locations :	East Lansing
Provider URL :	https://msu.edu/
Program Description :	Make your farm dreams a reality! Join the OFTP learning community for hands-on learning, visits to 20+ farms, and in-depth online discussions about your farm plans. Choose to learn at Keep Growing Detroit, Edible Flint, MSU Student Organic Farm in East Lansing, or New City Urban Farm in Grand Rapids. Outside of class each week, practical assignments, videos and readings will connect learning themes from the class to YOUR farm goals. Many of these assignments build toward your farm plan.
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Program URL :	https://www.canr.msu.edu/organic_farmer_training_program/
Program Prerequisites :	None
Admission Requirements :	Strong applicants meet 3 criteria: 1. Hands-on farming or educational gardening experience as a farmworker, volunteer, homesteader, beekeeper, serious home gardener, etc. 2. Plans to start or manage a farm or educational farm project 3. Ability to contribute to a positive learning community
Program Duration (Clock / Contact Hours Per Week) :	7
Program Duration (Weeks) :	33

Credential Earned :	Industry-Recognized Certificate or Certification
Name of Associated Credential :	Certificate in Organic Farming
Issuer of Associated Credential :	Michigan State University
Program Format :	In-person : No Online, E-learning, or Distance Learning : No Hybrid or Blended Program : Yes
Associated Occupation 1 :	19-4012.00 - Agricultural Technicians
Associated Occupation 2 :	Not Available
Associated Occupation 3 :	Not Available
License Fee for Employment :	No
Estimated Waiting Period to Enter Program :	2 Weeks
Program Cost :	\$3,900.00
Cost of Books and Supplies :	Yes, \$150.00
Sources of Financial Assistance Accepted :	Individual Training Accounts, Scholarships for Detroit and West Michigan farmers
Internship/Externship Amount :	Yes, 100 hours
New Program :	No
Number of Graduates in the last year :	24
Employment Rate - 2nd quarter after exit :	Not Available
Quarterly Median Earnings :	**
Employment Rate - 4th quarter after exit :	Not Available
Credential Attainment Rate :	91.7%