

LEVEL 3 TRAINEESHIP

REGENERATIVE FARMING & AGROECOLOGY



This course is ideal for students who want to further their experience in agroecology, agroforestry, soil science, and social and economic elements of regenerative approaches to land management and agriculture.

You will study in real-life training settings, within the Black Mountains on the border of Wales and England. Alongside your studies, you will undertake an optional work-based placement to enhance your employability skills and embed your learning.

LOCATION

Talgarth

TUITION TIME

3 OR 5 Days Per Week

COURSE LENGTH

1 year from January - December

MINIMUM AGE

16 Years Old

WHAT IS AGROECOLOGY?

The world of farming and food production is changing. The challenges of climate change and fluctuating economic environments ask farmers to diversify for resilience. Agroecology is a strategy that could help us with these challenges. Informed by traditional global practices, agroecology explores the use of natural systems to promote good food for everyone, forever.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

Warm waterproof clothing and shoes for working outdoors, and a pair of wellies.



WHAT WILL I LEARN?

Our traineeship offers an authentic opportunity on a working farm, market garden or managed woodland and includes the following:

- Introduction to Regenerative Agriculture
- Soil and Plant Ecology
- Business Planning and Financial Forecasting
- Agroforestry
- Work experience is integrated across the year for all students (0.5 days per week)
- An optional year-long farm placement is offered for those who would like additional work-based training (an additional 2 days per week). A placement is guaranteed for those who would like it.

WHY STUDY REGENERATIVE FARMING & AGROECOLOGY?

You will be further supported by our partnerships with the Real Farming Trust and the Apricot Centre. Gain a real and authentic experience about what it is to be a grower, livestock farmer or woodland manager.

The traineeship will prepare you to:

- Work in regenerative farming or small-holding type settings;
- Work in community supported agriculture or the circular food economy;
- Work in regenerative land-based systems;
- Progress into higher education courses such as our BA (Hons) in Sustainable Futures: Arts, Ecology and Systems Change

WORK EXPERIENCE PLACEMENTS

We have partnered with a wide variety of local farms, where your optional work experience will take place for an additional 2-days per week. These may include:

Troed yr Harn, Talgarth	Moor Park Garden,
Ciliau Farm, Erwood	Crickhowell
Lower Genffordd, Talgarth	New House Farm, Monmouth
Fern Verrow, Herefordshire	Penpont Organic Farm,
Hill Farm, Powys	Brecon
FARMERS' Welsh Lavender, Builth Wells	Ty Mawr, Brecon
Llwynberried, Llanigon	Wye Organic, Ross on Wye
100% Hay @ Glanwye Farm	Greenfields Farm, Cusop

All trainees on placement are eligible for reimbursement of training related expenses (food, transport, accommodation) at £75 per week. Note that the cost of providing accommodation can be deducted from this amount.