

VETERANS --

Is farming in your future?

The demand for farm workers has never been stronger. Many kinds of opportunities are open in agriculture and food systems: *full time or part time or seasonal, rural or urban, employer or employee, long term careers or short term income supplements*

Madison VA has teamed with University of Wisconsin-Madison to offer vocational agricultural training, farm internships, and supporting services.

The William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital has created a training program open to all Veterans interested in working in agriculture and food systems. Veterans in the program will participate in the University of Wisconsin-Madison Farm and Industry Short Course or training programs through Madison College, receive support provided by the Madison VA's Therapeutic and Supported Employment Services, and receive hands-on training through internships in a local agricultural setting, including community-supported agriculture farms, large-scale agribusiness, "care farms," or community-based agricultural organizations, depending on the Veteran's area of interest.

Veterans interested in enrolling in Madison VA agricultural training: Denise Chapin at (608)256-1901 x16431, denise.chapin@va.gov.

For details about classroom programs and farm placements: Professor Steve Ventura, (608)262-6416, sventura@wisc.edu.

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