

Phelps Creek

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Summer Internship Announcement 2022

Phelps Creek Vineyards is pleased to offer two summer internship positions at our vineyards and winery. Our Winery Ambassador program has been developed to build your resume through a well-rounded immersion into the wine industry. This in-depth program is meant to provide interns with a good understanding of our company, vineyard, products, tour program, tasting room, wine club, wine production, as well as education in tasting/analyzing wines and food pairing. The program will consist of four parts:

1st Element: Work Experience

Interns gain applicable work experience through: vineyard/winery tours, administration, winemaking, viticulture, hospitality, retail, customer service and marketing assignments. Tasks will range from day-to-day tasks to one time assignments. You will have the opportunity to shadow our Winemaker, Assistant Winemaker, Enologist, and Vineyard Manager.

2nd Element: Education

Education classes and certification programs required to work at Phelps Creek Vineyards include *Oregon Food Handler's Card*, and *Oregon Liquor Control Commission Licensed Alcohol Server Permit*. You will also participate in Phelps Creek Vineyards company meetings and educational sessions with the *Columbia Gorge Winegrowers Association*.

3rd Element: Palate Expansion

In addition to familiarizing yourself with Phelps Creek Vineyards wines, there will be constant tasting of Columbia Gorge AVA and wines from other districts as well as special occasions when we pull from our Library. Beginning with a regimented *WSET Systematic Approach to Tasting* lectures, you will develop your palate and build your tasting skills. You will also participate in the Wine Dinners hosted by Phelps Creek Vineyards and our private team summer barbeques. Your summer internship will be a complete immersion in wine country life, and we hope it will provide a great introduction into the world of wine.

4th Element: Personal Project

We believe that a great addition to a Winery Ambassador's portfolio is a personal project that you've seen through from the beginning to the end. The project will be assigned based on your personal goals, skills, and areas where the company can benefit.

In addition to your personal project, we have team projects that you will participate in. Including:

- Tend to your own row of vines under the watchful eye of our Vineyard Manager
- Les Stagiaires (the Intern) Wine blending project - and your name will be mentioned on the back label
- Participating in all the steps of Brandy Distillation

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Hours

Interns will be expected to work about **40 hours per week** on a flexible schedule.

Length

The internship begins one week after Spring Term finals. Your hire date will be on the day that you arrive at Phelps Creek Vineyards; the **internship typically lasts about 12 weeks**, depending on different school schedules.

Requirements

- An upbeat personality, the ability to connect with others, and speak in front of large groups
- Eagerness to learn about the wine industry
- 21+ applicants only

Compensation

Stipend Package

- \$1000 per month stipend, paid in bi-monthly installments via check
- 8 school credits
- Free room rental (value of \$500/month)

Performance Bonus

- \$20 for each Wine Club sign-up, paid bi-monthly accompanying salary paycheck
- Tips from guests in Tasting Room and Wine Country Experiences - cash tips paid day of

Wine Bonus

- One bottle of wine per week (Retail value: <\$35)
- 50% off all Phelps Creek Vineyards' wine purchases

We will be accepting cover letters accompanied by resumes until **April 1st, 2022**. Students will be contacted shortly thereafter for an interview. Please send all documents to Lynette Morus at: ***info@phelpscreekvineyards.com***.