

# SOCIAL AGRICULTURE & BIODYNAMIC STUDIES

Beginning in 2019/20, the Camphill Academy will offer students the option to study Social Agriculture and Biodynamic Studies, a concentration area within Social Therapy. Students have the opportunity to learn biodynamic agriculture and many aspects of inclusive community building and to apply what they learn while living in a social-therapeutic Camphill community.

This curriculum is designed and taught by experienced farmers, gardeners and social therapists within Camphill communities with a focus in two areas:

- **Biodynamic Agriculture - 'renewing the land'**
- **Social Therapy - 'renewing ourselves and others'**

This weaving of intentions makes our program unique.



## PROGRAMS

The Camphill Academy provides pathways leading to three levels of certification in Social Therapy:

- **Foundation Studies Program (1-year)**
- **Paraprofessional Certification Program (3-years)**
- **Diploma Program (5-years)**

## LOCATION

For 2019/20, the Social Agriculture and Biodynamic Studies concentration in Social Therapy will be offered at the Camphill Academy branch campus in Camphill Village USA, a Camphill community on 615 acres of wooded hills, gardens, and pastures in rural upstate New York.

## ADMISSIONS

Individuals who are staff or volunteer members of Camphill Village USA and have been awarded a Community Fellowship by their participating community are eligible to enroll in the Academy programs full-time. Interested candidates who are not yet members must make application to both the participating community and the Camphill Academy. Individuals cannot apply independently. Additionally, qualified candidates will:

- **have a high school education or equivalent**
- **be at least 19 years of age before beginning the programs, and**
- **demonstrate a solid command of the English language. Applicants whose native language is not English must submit a TOEFL, IELTS, or Duolingo English Test (DET) score (see admissions guidelines for complete details).**



THE CAMPHILL  
ACADEMY

The Camphill Academy is a community of learning rooted in the life and work of the Camphill Movement in North America. It aims to provide a path of transformative learning that allows individuals to unfold their potential to contribute to the healing of the human being, society and the earth.

All full-time programs in the Camphill Academy emphasize emergent field-based learning, embedded in the experience of community life as practiced in the Camphill Movement. They are rooted in rich and diverse practical experiences, which provide the driving force for the educational process and challenge students to ever further growth in personal capacities, practical skills, insight and understanding.

The Camphill Academy is accredited by the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training.

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