

Nova Scotia Youth Corps

Summer Student Intern

Position Title: Environmental Field Technician

Number of Positions: 2

Location: Brookfield, Nova Scotia

Position Status: Temporary, 9 weeks [June 26 – August 25, 2017]

Hours: Full-time [35 hours per week]

Wage: Minimum \$11.75/hour

Clean makes homes more <u>energy efficient</u>, <u>restores streams & watersheds</u>, <u>engages youth</u> on the environment, promotes <u>green transportation</u>, mitigates the effects of <u>stormwater</u>, helps communities reduce <u>waste</u>, and contributes to public policy discussions.

That's <u>what</u> we do. <u>Why</u> we do it is to help create a more sustainable society in Atlantic Canada. We work for a clean climate & clean water, and, to help us get there, we foster, educate and support clean leaders in our communities.

Clean is a non-profit, non-governmental environment organization created in 1988 through an <u>Act of the Legislature</u> in Nova Scotia. However, we receive no core government funding. We run the charity through money raised for our many programs and projects, which can come from agencies, businesses, government departments, foundations and individual citizens.

You may know us as Clean Nova Scotia, but we work on projects in other parts of Atlantic Canada, throughout the traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik. That's why we say we're just *Clean*.

We are currently seeking a hardworking, dynamic and motivated individual to add to our Nova Scotia Youth Corps (Youth Corps) team for summer 2017, who has a strong passion for people and the environment. Our approach is always collaborative and team oriented.

Program Overview:



In Nova Scotia, more than half of our young people leave the province after graduation. But what if they were given the skills and opportunities to join a vibrant green economy here at home?

The Youth Corps wants to inspire, develop and nurture an interest in jobs that support a future-looking economy and a sustainable environment. By tapping into a student's journey mid-way through school, our training and internship program offers new green options in career path decisions – while giving young minds the tools they need for future success.

The Youth Corps builds connections between youth and local organizations to stimulate stewardship for the natural environment and support the emergence of young community leaders. This is accomplished by providing students with training and employment opportunities through paid work placements with community-based organizations. And our Aboriginal Leadership Program builds on the Youth Corps to focus on the needs of First Nations youth while bringing traditional indigenous knowledge into the program. Our goal at Clean is to help build that foundation on which students can build their careers, and grow into the thoughtful, creative policy-makers and CEOs of tomorrow.

Position Overview:

The host for this Summer Student Intern position through Youth Corps will be the Cobequid Salmon Association. The successful intern will be reporting to On-stream Project Coordinator, Cobequid Salmon Association. In this position, you will be mainly responsible for the day to day stream restoration activities such as collecting and analyzing water samples, tree planting and construction of in-stream structures to improve aquatic habitat. The successful candidate needs to have the ability **to perform physically demanding outdoor labour in and around water**, and must reside in or in close proximity to the Truro/Brookfield area.

About the Host:

The Cobequid Salmon Association (CSA) is a non-profit organization formed in 1983 to address concerns about the well-being of the 22 rivers that flow into the Inner Bay of Fundy from Economy, on the north to Windsor, on the south. The CSA was originally formed as an angling club, but since the closure of the salmon angling season in 1991, and the decline in number of almost all anadromous fish species in area rivers, the emphasis has changed to a focus on water quality and habitat improvement.

Duties and Responsibilities:

In this position, you will be mainly responsible for the day to day stream restoration activities such as collecting and analyzing water samples, tree planting and construction of in-stream structures to improve aquatic habitat. Duties will require some heavy lifting, familiarly with the use of small hand tools, and proper use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

Requirements/Qualifications:

- Must be a Canadian citizen or legally entitled to work in Canada;
- Must be between the ages of 15 and 30;
- Must be a full-time student and intending to return to school in fall 2017;
- Is not a member of immediate family of host;
- Have an aptitude for safe work practices and the ability to multi-task in a busy work environment;
- Be able to work productively as part of a team while responding to feedback;
- Demonstrating an interest in future employment in the environmental or 'green' sector;
- Ability to perform physically demanding outdoor labour in and around water;
- Familiarity with the use of small hand tools (shovels, rakes, mauls, etc) is required;
- Enthusiastic attitude, willingness to learn and to try new things;
- Applicant should have the ability to lift and carry up to 20 kilograms;
- Must be comfortable and confident executing job duties while wearing the required attire (waterproof waders or high rubber boots while working on the river);

- As the position is mainly outdoor, the selected candidate must be able to work in the vicinity of insects and in temperatures ranging from 15-30 degrees;
- Must reside in, or in close proximity to, the Truro or Brookfield area.

To apply, fill out the online application here. After you click the 'submit' button, you will be directed to a page where you can upload your cover letter(s), resume, and letter of reference. You can also access that page directly by clicking here – note that your reference can also submit their letter on your behalf directly through that page. Your application will not be considered until we have received all of your application materials.

The deadline to apply is midnight, May 24, 2017. We appreciate all interest; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Clean is committed to Employment Equity and our goal is to be a diverse workforce that is representative at all job levels. We welcome applicants from Aboriginal People, Visible Minority Groups, Persons with Disabilities and Women in occupations of positions where they are underrepresented. If you are a member of one of the equity groups, you are encouraged to self-identify on either your cover letter or resume.