

Nova Scotia Youth Corps Summer Student Intern

Position Title:	Jr. Ecosystems Research & Education Officer Assistant
Number of Positions:	1
Location:	Truro, Nova Scotia
Position Status:	Temporary, 9 weeks [June 26 – August 25, 2017]
Hours:	Full-time [35 hours per week]
Wage:	<u>Minimum</u> \$11.75/hour

Clean makes homes more [energy efficient](#), [restores streams & watersheds](#), [engages youth](#) on the environment, promotes [green transportation](#), mitigates the effects of [stormwater](#), helps communities reduce [waste](#), and contributes to public policy discussions.

That's [what](#) we do. [Why](#) 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 [Act of the Legislature](#) 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:



Youth Corps

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 Intern position through Youth Corps will be The Mi'kmaw Conservation Group (MCG), reporting to MCG Senior Director and the Project Coordinators for the National Wetland Conservation Fund Project and the Atlantic Ecosystems Initiatives Project (TBD). In this position, you will be mainly responsible for assisting the Project Coordinators with research and fieldwork in wetlands throughout Nova Scotia as well as the Cornwallis River, NS. These duties include: water quality monitoring, water sampling, assisting on writing articles on field activities, and community outreach planning, activities and educational materials. With this project you will be responsible to participating in fieldwork in various aquatic environments and preparing community outreach materials and presentations. The successful candidate must have an interest in environmental conservation and must possess excellent written and oral communication skills.

About the Host:

The Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq (The CMM) is a Tribal Council representing seven, Mi'kmaq communities of mainland NS. Our mission is to proactively promote and assist Mi'kmaq communities' initiatives towards self-determination and enhancement of community. The CMM is located in the Millbrook Mi'kmaw Community in Nova Scotia and has over 50 Employees. The CMM is currently looking for an energetic, mature and independent candidate to fill the summer student position of MCG Jr. Research & Education Officer Assistant with the MCG program.

The Mi'kmaw Conservation Group, at the Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq in Truro, is an Aboriginal organization which focuses on the conservation and management of aquatic watersheds and ecosystems throughout Nova Scotia. Our mission is to "restore the concept of Netukulimk in the Bay of Fundy watershed". MCG's goal is to work under the direction of our Advisory Board for the environmental management and conservation concerns of six Mi'kmaw Communities in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. These six Communities are: Annapolis Valley, Glooscap, Fort Folly, Millbrook, Pictou Landing and Sipekne'katik Mi'kmaw Communities.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Planning and developing educational modules and presentations for youth and community members at community events
- Working with a variety of groups (youth, Elders, community members, coworkers, etc.)
- Ability to work in adverse weather conditions (rain, cold, etc.)
- Assessing water quality, collecting water samples
- Conducting research on freshwater contamination and Mi'kmaw wetland plants
- Writing reports and preparing PowerPoint Presentations for Management
- Preparing monthly reports

- Attending training opportunities as needed
- Taking direction from the MCG Senior Director and Project Coordinators
- Assisting with other projects as needed.

Requirements/Qualifications:

- Must be a Canadian citizen or entitled to work in Canada
- Must be between the ages of 18 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;
- Experience working in or with First Nation communities.
- Must have reliable transportation and the ability to travel.
- Knowledge of computers an asset (Microsoft Word, Microsoft PowerPoint).
- Responsible and ability to work independently.
- Must possess excellent, written and oral communication skills
- 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
- Demonstrates interest in future employment in the environmental or 'green' sector is considered and asset

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 under-represented. If you are a member of one of the equity groups, you are encouraged to self-identify on either your cover letter or resume.