

## **Job Description – Clean Leadership 2019 Program**

### **Summary of the Program**

The Clean Leadership program (formerly Nova Scotia Youth Conservation Corps or Youth Corps) was established in 1989 to provide Nova Scotian youth with training and employment opportunities in the environmental field. This program engages community partners across the province to hire students to carry out work in the summer months that fosters environmental stewardship. The Clean Leadership program provides Nova Scotian youth with green sector work experience, an enhanced appreciation of the environment and their community, and develops skills for life-long learning (including team-building and leadership skills, increased knowledge for future employment and/or education ventures, program evaluation techniques, and the ability to give back to their community and their environment.

### **Job Title - *Invasive Alien Species Research Assistant***

**Wage - \$13.25/hr**

### **Summary of Position**

The community partner for this Summer Student Intern position through the Clean Leadership program will be Acadia University's E.C. Smith Herbarium, reporting to the Irving Biodiversity Collections Manager. In this position, you will be mainly responsible for improving the Invasive Species Alliance of Nova Scotia website, assisting with invasive alien species management in the Harriet Irving Botanical Gardens, and engaging with the public on guided hikes about invasive alien species. The successful candidate needs to have a keen interest in species and habitat ecology, basic computer skills, and good interpersonal skills.

### **Community Partner**

Acadia University's E.C. Smith Herbarium is located in beautiful Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

This job will involve the development of new factsheets for the Invasive Species Alliance of Nova Scotia website, along with other website updates such as methods for reporting invasive alien species, contacts and links for more information, and more documents and publications for the website library. In addition, the job will involve the management and eradication of invasive alien species in the Harriet Irving Botanical Gardens, along with a few guided tours for the public on the topic of invasive alien species. The job will also involve assisting other researchers at Acadia University with various research projects that pertain to biology and environmental sciences.

### **Requirements/Qualifications**

*These are the qualifications that are necessary for someone to be considered for the position.*

- 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 2019;



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- Is not a member of immediate family of community partner;
- 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;
- Demonstrated interest in future employment in the environmental or 'green' sector is considered an asset;

### **Working Conditions**

The working conditions of this job will be an equal mix of indoor computer work, and outdoor gardening-type work on fair weather days.

### **Physical Requirements**

The job is not physically demanding except for occasionally needing to remove shrubs and other plants from the ground.