

## **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 - Energy Intern**

**Wage - \$16.00/hr**

### **Summary of Position**

The community partner for this Summer Student Intern position through the Clean Leadership program will be the *Ecology Action Centre*, reporting to *Meghan McMorris, Community Energy Coordinator of the Energy Action team*. In this position, you will be mainly responsible for gathering stories from Nova Scotians that relate to the green economy, just transition and climate jobs. You will also be responsible for contributing to the Energy Action Team's mobilization, advocacy and policy work related to the same topics. Day to day responsibilities will involve engaging with the public, research, developing materials for social media and staying informed on current policy. The successful candidate needs to have knowledge about climate change, the green economy, and a general sense of climate change policy and action.

### **Community Partner**

The Ecology Action Centre is the largest and most active environmental organization in Atlantic Canada. Since 1971, the EAC has been working at the local, regional, national, and more recently at the international level to build a healthier and more sustainable world. We envision a society in Nova Scotia that respects and protects nature, and provides environmentally and economically sustainable solutions for its citizens.

The EAC is an independent organization that strives to work with our partners to provide up-to-date environmental information, pursue researched solutions, and act as a watch-dog for the Nova Scotia environment. We currently have over 4,500 members, more than 300 active volunteers, and over 40 staff, working across 7 environmental Action Areas to provide a strong voice for our environment.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Research champions of the green economy, just transition and climate jobs within Nova Scotia
- Interview these individuals, organizations and/ or businesses to gather their story

- Transform their story into pieces of writing and media that can be shared more widely
- Contribute to the advocacy efforts of the Energy Action team related to green economy, greenhouse gas reduction targets and climate jobs
- Contribute their insights and creativity into materials and strategy developed by the Energy Action Team
- Attend Energy Action Volunteer monthly meetings
- Continue to be aware of the shift political landscape as it related to green economy, just transition and jobs
- Host one lunch and learn with EAC staff to share their expertise/ knowledge/ experience

## **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;
- 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**

This position would require the intern to work at the Ecology Action Centre office in Halifax.