

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 - Cultural Event Planner for the Skye River Trail
Wage - \$11.75/hr

Summary of Position

The community partner for this Summer Student Intern position through the Clean Leadership program will be We'koqma'q First Nation, reporting to Tourism Coordinator for the Skye River Trail. We'koqma'q First Nation is the home of the Skye River Trail and is also an integral part of the Trans Canada Trail Blue Route, now known as The Great Trail. In this position, you will be mainly responsible for research and planning cultural events and activities for the Skye River Trail to promote Mi'kmaq Culture and finding new creative ways to embrace it. For example, medicinal walks, hiking, canoeing, tee pee set up, medicinal teas, campfire gatherings, forging, fishing and cooking traditional meals. Community research may be required to prevent false information. The successful candidate needs to have research, organizational skills, social skills, and strong communication skills.

Community Partner

The partner for this position is We'koqma'q First Nation, a rapidly growing Mi'kmaw community. Economic and social development remains a priority as Chief and Council work to enhance our natural attributes. Our residents show great pride in their culture and tradition. In We'koqma'q, we believe that our people are our strength. The Employment and Training Department and the Tourism Department are dedicated to supporting the education and goals of our community members and helping to overcome barriers to employment.

Duties and Responsibilities

The cultural event planner, reporting to the Tourism Coordinator, will conduct a variety of activities related to the management of the Skye River Trail, including:

- Ongoing research both online and through the community about the history of the trail and its cultural value; including liaising with elders
- Planning creative cultural and environmental activities and manage marketing outreach
- Learning about medicinal plants available in the area and researching health benefits
- Engaging outdoor activities in a nature setting

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;
- Be task oriented;
- Be able to work independently with little supervision.

Working Conditions

This position will involve a lot of time spent outdoors in various types of weather, as well as some office work. Candidate should be prepared to engage in somewhat physically active tasks and/or events.