



SHELL CONSERVATION INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Shell Conservation Internship Program is a partnership initiative between the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) and Shell Canada Limited (Shell) to provide university/college students with practical experience in the conservation field. In 2010, the Shell Conservation Internship Program will engage students from across Canada in stewardship and management work on NCC properties and in other career-related activities that advance the work of NCC. This partnership builds on the successful history of Shell and NCC working together to conserve many of our country's most important natural places.

REGION: ALBERTA, Calgary

POSITION TITLE: SUMMER CONSERVATION INTERN

NO. OF POSITIONS: 4

The Summer Conservation Intern position is designed to support NCC's need for coordinated field data collection and stewardship activities on NCC properties throughout Alberta.

Specific Responsibilities

- Collect and maintain field data (e.g. weed inventories, wildlife observations and photo reference points) from NCC properties throughout Alberta;
- Document natural and anthropogenic disturbances;
- Implement property management activities, including weed control, site clean-up, erecting signs, trail maintenance and fixing fences;
- Synthesize field data into monitoring reports that will be used by Conservation Operations staff in the management of NCC properties; and
- Recommend stewardship and management actions for NCC properties based on observations in the field.

Skills and Abilities

This posting is targeted to students possessing the following skills:

- Ability to work well in a team setting, outdoors for extended periods and under various weather conditions (e.g. temperature and precipitation extremes) and terrains (e.g. crossing small creeks by foot or climbing up steep slopes);
- Excellent plant and wildlife identification skills;
- Highly motivated, analytical, detail-oriented, creative and proactive thinker;
- Self motivated, superior time management and organizational skills, ability to work to meet deadlines;
- Excellent communication and technical writing skills; and
- Valid class 5 Driver's License.

Terms of Employment

- This is a full-time 16-week (May 10th -August 27th, 2010) position. Salary is \$16.00/hour (\$560/week).
- Positions will be based in Calgary but requires travel throughout Alberta with overnight stays away from home office. Travel expenses will be reimbursed.

Applications

Interested applicants should forward their cover letter and resume to:

Kirsten Olson

The Nature Conservancy of Canada

Email: Kirsten.olson@natureconservancy.ca

Reference position title:

“AB – Conservation Intern”

Closing date: January 29, 2010

NCC is a non-profit, non-advocacy organization that takes a business-like approach to preserving Canada's natural heritage. Our focus is on conservation through private action, and we have a strong track record of partnering with individuals, corporations, community groups, conservation groups and government bodies to create win-win solutions that benefit nature.