



Caldwell First Nation

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Junior Water Guardian Intern

Position Summary:

Reporting to the Environment Department Water Guardian and working within the Environment Department, the Junior Water Guardian Intern is a part-time (contract) position with variable hours supporting Caldwell First Nation water related environment initiatives. This includes working with and learning from the current Water Guardian coordinating and monitoring on and around water projects, data collection and processing, and internal and external environmental assessments across CFN's Traditional Territory. The Junior Water Guardian Intern will also assist in collecting, incorporating, and advocating for Caldwell band members' and Anishinaabe cultural/ecological knowledge and interests in the execution of projects and the Department's rights-based initiatives. While a part-time contract position, the role could lead to renewal of contract and the possibility of full-time work will depend on department capacity-building and funding. The Junior Water Guardian Intern must understand Caldwell First Nation's specific priorities and perform to promote the Nation's vision and values.

Principle Duties and Responsibilities:

- Assist Water Guardians in youth Environment oriented scheduled events
- Support, take direction and learn from the current Water Guardian
- Research and support the development, institution, and maintenance of Indigenous Protected and Conserved Areas (IPCAs) and wetland restitution and restoration in CFN Traditional Territory
- Assist in development of a Community Coastal Monitoring Plan and advocate for internal lawmaking concerning environmental matters
- Assist in modelling, developing, and deploying Traditional Ecological Knowledge studies
- Conduct and assist in conducting community engagements on various coastal, wetland, and lake management programs
- Assist in capacity building in environment programming
- Assist in conducting presentations for CFN Leadership and the community
- Commit to in-person project management, community engagement, and tasks both in-office and in-field, as well as remote or virtual work at the direction of the Department Manager and the current Water Guardian
- Follow all CFN policies and procedures, as well as ED guidelines set by the Department Manager
- Water quality / sampling
- Other tasks as required

Preferred Qualifications:

- Post-Secondary (or in pursuit of) diploma or Indigenous studies, or equivalent in Anishinaabe Traditional Knowledge background (subject to CFN staff review)
- Proficiency in Windows OS, Microsoft Office programs and Google Suite applications an asset
- Ability to seek out (research) and convey information effectively orally and in written forms
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Experience working with or within Indigenous communities
- Able to work independently and in a team environment
- High standard of work ethic and able to maintain confidentiality
- Ability to complete tasks in a timely manner
- Valid G driver's license and able to supply a clean driver's abstract

Salary:

\$20-\$23/ hour

Position:

Part-Time, in-person/work, 10-15 hours/week, travel and overtime as needed and approved by ED Manager. Three-month contract with renewal dependent on consecutive funding.

Deadline: ASAP