

Summer Student Job Posting – 2021

Strathcona Park Wilderness Centre – Visitor Information Counsellor

Strathcona Wilderness Institute (SWI) is looking for an enthusiastic and energetic person with an interest in working with the public in a park environment. She or he will assist with staffing at the Strathcona Park Wilderness Centre (managed by SWI) at Paradise Meadows in Strathcona Provincial Park and help the Programs' Coordinator. The Visitor Information Counsellor position will be 35 hours per week for 8 weeks, during the period from late June to mid September. The rate of pay is \$16 per hour.

Qualifications

The ideal candidate will meet the following qualifications:

- Secondary or Post-secondary level student with completed courses in relevant subjects (e.g. biology, environment, outdoor education, tourism)
- Eligible for the Canada Summer Jobs Programme (be between 15-30 years of age and be legally entitled to work in Canada)
- Demonstrate the following characteristics:
 - ability to work independently and as part of a team
 - good communication and organizational skills
 - self motivated and self reliant
 - creative (skills in writing, photography, computer technology are an asset, as is a second language)
- Valid driver's license (the student is expected to arrange their own transportation to the Centre)

All qualified persons , including aboriginal, persons with disabilities, persons from visible minorities are encouraged to apply. It is strongly recommended that applicants learn about the work of SWI through the SWI website: www.strathconapark.org

Tasks and Responsibilities (Observing COVID 19 protocols)

The primary responsibilities of the Visitor Services Information & Program Assistant will be to:

- a) Welcome diverse visitors to Paradise Meadows ranging from local to international, youth to senior, athletic to mobility challenged;
- b) Provide information about Park trails, plants and wildlife, and about safe and appropriate behaviour in the Park; encourage hikers to report flora and fauna sightings requested in SWI's new brochure.
- c) Promote and assist with SWI educational and research programs (electronic and actual presentations in the amphitheatre, interpretive walks modified to comply with COVID 19 protocols); sell books, brochures and maps, and record visitor statistics.



Application:

To apply, please send a resume and covering letter referencing “Visitor Information Counsellor” that clearly indicates how you meet the requirements for this position. For more information, email: strathconawilderness@gmail.com

Apply to:

Judy Norbury, Chair of SWI Board
Email: judynorbury@shaw.ca

Closing date for application: Open until filled.
Starting date for position: late June or early July
All applications will be acknowledged by email.

