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Conservation Science Assistant WildRoots Summer Work Program

This position will be funded by grants and is contingent on funding approval.

Location: Winnipeg Office (500 Shaftesbury Blvd.) and the Boreal Ecology Centre, East Braintree, MB **Workweek:** Tuesday-Friday (with the occasional Saturday and overnights at the Boreal Ecology Centre)

Workterm: May-August (16 weeks) 35hrs/ week

Wage: \$16.30/hr

Closing Date: March 31, 2024

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Conservation Science Assistant will assist in setting up conservation projects and leading maintenance at the Boreal Ecology Centre in East Braintree, Manitoba. The successful candidate will also assist in administration support and planning of our environmental programs and conservation science work in Winnipeg and at the Boreal Ecology Centre (BEC). This may include (but is not limited to) biological bird and forest monitoring, data analysis from records and samples, and ecological restoration in the form of invasive species management and trail development.

This role is part of A Rocha Manitoba's *WildRoots: Summer Work Program*. Alongside practical work experience participants can expect to develop leadership skills, learn about nature conservation, participate in team rhythms and retreats, connect with the wider A Rocha network, and receive vocational training. To learn more about the WildRoots Program head to arocha.ca/wildroots

SPECIFIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Support Conservation Science Coordinator in prepping, setting up, and managing forest monitoring plots
- Perform basic check-ups on status of previously established quadrats
- Identify, remove, and dispose of invasive species in the meadow
- Support Conservation Science Coordinator with data collection, analysis, and entry into database
- Maintain and develop trails so visitors can safely walk them
- Participate in conservation projects in a supporting role
- Participate in A Rocha community through team days, discussions, and mentoring

QUALIFICATIONS

- Embodies A Rocha Canada's Vision, Commitments and Core Values
- Capable of doing manual labor outdoors for extended periods of time
- Experience operating landscaping equipment (weedwackers, various hand tools)
- Able to identify Manitoba plant and bird species
- Organized note keeper and experience with digital filing
- Willingness to travel to and from the Boreal Ecology Centre in East Braintree, MB and stay there for periods of time (max. 4 days)
- Willingness to learn methodologies and equipment

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REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person with official refugee status
- Criminal record check and Vulnerable Sector check required
- Must be a youth between 16-30 years of age

ASSETS

- Knowledge of local environmental concerns and local ecology (Winnipeg and East Braintree)
- Experience with citizen science (participating in or leading of)
- Ability to work independently or as part of a small team of volunteers
- First Aid and CPR
- Access to transportation

A ROCHA CANADA MISSION, VISION, COMMITMENTS

A Rocha is an international network of Christian nature conservation organizations. Our mission is to live out God's calling to care for creation and equip others to do likewise. We envision a hope filled world where communities flourish as people and nature thrive together.

A Rocha International 5 Commitments:

- Christian We follow Jesus Christ, who created the world and calls us to care for it.
- Conservation We protect and restore nature and are committed to local places and people over the long term.
- Community We invest in good relationships through our commitment to God, one another and the
 wider creation.
- Cultural Diversity We celebrate the insights, perspectives and solutions offered by our diverse cultures.
- Collaboration We seek to work with anyone who shares our vision.

TO APPLY

- Email, as a single PDF document, a cover letter and resume clearly detailing your experience and qualifications for this position to Zoe Matties (manitoba@arocha.ca)
- Ensure your email subject line clearly refers to the Conservation Science Assistant position.
- Ensure your name and the position title are included in the PDF file name.
- Only applicants selected for interviews will be contacted.

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