

Invasive Species Crew Member (Student)

LOCATION: Field Office located in Whistler, however work sites are located throughout the Sea to Sky Corridor
TERM: May 7th – August 24th (37.5 hrs/week)
RATE OF PAY: \$16/hr

POSITION OVERVIEW: The Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council (SSISC) is a non-profit organization that works to minimize the threat of invasive species in the Sea to Sky Corridor. The SSISC will be conducting inventory, control (mechanical and chemical), and site monitoring throughout the Sea to Sky region during the 2018 field season, and we are looking for a self-motivated, hard-working student to join our Field Crew for 2018.

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES: The Invasive Species Crew Member (Student) will be part of a team of 8 that will carry out various invasive plant management tasks including: Inventory of invasive species sites; application of chemical control and mechanical removals of invasive plants; monitoring of treatment sites; field data recording and data entry using iPads, equipment maintenance, signage placement, and communication with community members. The Crew Member may also be required to assist the Executive Director & Outreach Coordinator with education and outreach work, including attending outreach booths at local events and helping to organize and host weed pulls.

ELIGIBILITY: This position is contingent on funding from Canada Summer Jobs. Therefore, to qualify for this position, individuals must be eligible to participate in the Canada Summer Jobs initiative, and:

- Be between 15 and 30 years of age at the start of the employment;
- Have been registered as a full-time student in the previous academic year and intend to return to school on a full-time basis in the next academic year;
- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act 6 (foreign students are not eligible); and,
- Be legally entitled to work in Canada in accordance with relevant provincial/territorial legislation and regulations.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Energetic, self-motivated, team player;
- Able to identify invasive plants;
- Able and willing to carry out strenuous field work and repetitive tasks;
- Willing to work with herbicides and potentially dangerous plants (e.g. giant hogweed);
- Able and willing to work in adverse field conditions;
- Able to navigate using maps and GPS; familiar with iPads, apps and GIS;
- Willing to work irregular hours including some weekends and evenings;
- Able to work with minimal supervision in an office or field environment;
- High level of interpersonal, organizational and communication skills; comfortable dealing with the public;
- Hold a Valid Pesticide Applicators Certificate for Industrial Vegetation and Noxious Weeds; or be willing to achieve certification within 3 weeks of contract start date;
- Must have a valid B. C. driver's license.

Preference may be given to those candidates who have experience with herbicide application and/or mechanical removal techniques; WCB Level 1 First Aid; Invasive species training; WHMIS or s-100 training, or applicants who are residents of the Sea to Sky Corridor.

PLEASE SEND RESUME & COVER LETTER explaining HOW you meet the requirements, as one single PDF file TO:

Clare Greenberg, Executive Director - ssinvasives@gmail.com

ONLY CANDIDATES BEING CONSIDERED FOR POSITIONS WILL BE CONTACTED.

POSITIONS ARE SUBJECT TO FUNDING AVAILABILITY

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED UNTIL 5pm APRIL 9th, 2018