

Parks Canada Employment Opportunity

Looking for the best gig ever this summer? Do you love camping and inspiring others while sharing new skills in creative ways? Parks Canada is looking for fun, energetic highly motivated people with a wide variety of experiences, interests and knowledge to join our vibrant team with the Mainland Nova Scotia Field Unit and help us reach Canadians where they live, play and get informed!

Parks Canada is a federal government agency responsible for the protection and presentation of Canada's outstanding natural and cultural resources through a system of national parks, national marine conservation areas and national historic sites in all regions of Canada. In Nova Scotia, we look after sites like the Halifax Citadel National Historic Site, George's Island National Historic Site, and Kejimikujik National Park and National Historic Site.

We have two different positions open. One is with the Learn-to Camp team, which spends the summer helping young families and new Canadians enjoy the outdoors and feel safe camping. The other is with the Urban Outreach team, which works to raise awareness about Parks Canada's places and what projects we're undertaking to improve the environment. There is one Learn-to Camp position based at Kejimikujik in Maitland Bridge, and all the other positions are based out of Halifax.

Parks Canada is committed to helping youth gain important work experience, particularly those facing barriers to employment; therefore, for all youth positions, preference may be given to qualified candidates who identify as indigenous, visible minorities or persons with a disability.

Closing date: April 11th, at midnight.

Term: May 10th to August 25th

Compensation: \$16.49-\$18.91/hour, 37.5 hours a week.

Duties:

Learn-to Camp

As a member of the Learn-to Camp team, you will help new Canadians and young families safely experience and explore nature. Working both in-person and digitally, you will prepare our participants for their own outdoor adventures, and inspire them to fall in love with nature. Through the development and delivery of innovative programs and interactive presentations, the team encourages the public to connect with Canada's rich history, experience the outdoors, and learn more about our environment and heritage. Learn-to Camp duties will include:

- Engaging audiences (including young families and new Canadians) through activities, workshops and overnight events in diverse environments including parks, festivals, museums, libraries, and Parks Canada sites (COVID and public health restrictions permitting), as well as digital venues.

- Inspiring and connecting Canadians with an exciting world of outdoor activities while providing opportunities for visitors to learn new skills and build confidence that will help them embark on adventures in Parks Canada places.
- Developing and delivering programs that help families overcome barriers to planning and enjoying trips and outdoor activities, especially in Canada's special heritage places.
- Following and implementing public health recommendations around cleaning work and program equipment such as camping gear, physical distancing and using proper personal protective equipment.

Outreach

As a member of the Outreach team, your mission will be to research, develop and deliver our captivating educational and outreach programs, either in-person (Covid permitting) or on virtual platforms. You will connect with key audiences through interpretation, games and programs you will develop with your teammates. Social media will also be an important part of your duties, as you will be developing creative content for our Parks Canada Halifax Facebook account. Public Outreach and Education duties will include:

- Learning, developing and delivering outreach and educational messages and programs on Parks Canada places, specifically Kejimikujik National Park and National Historic Site, Kejimikujik Seaside National Park, Sable Island National Park Reserve, Fort Anne National Historic Site, Port-Royal National Historic Site and the Halifax Defense Complex National Historic Sites.
 - Digitally engaging with the public in ways that reflect Parks Canada's brand and mandate.
 - Writing and editing communications materials including social media posts, web content, and video and podcast scripts. These materials will serve to promote programming, special events and conservation efforts taking place in sites managed by Parks Canada.
- Collecting and reporting outreach data.
- COVID Permitting: Representing Parks Canada at public events.
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What you need to provide: You will need to submit a cover letter and CV to pc.rhugnec-mnsfuhr.pc@canada.ca, or you can apply online [here](#). Your cover letter must clearly show that you:

- 1) Are a full-time post-secondary student in an accredited institution and returning to full-time studies next year.
- 2) Have experience working with the public
- 3) Have experience working in a team environment
- 4) Have experience working with computer software (such as Microsoft Office Suite, Google Docs, and web conferencing programs like Zoom or Google Meet).

NOTE: Experience may be acquired through studies, extracurricular activities, volunteering, work etc.

Additionally, you need to read the following paragraph and include an answer to the question below in your application.

The Youth Employment Skills Strategy (YESS) aims to create temporary employment opportunities for youths from 15-30 years of age who are facing one or more barriers to employment. Barriers may be any part of your past or present experience that makes it difficult to obtain or maintain meaningful employment. Some of the positions advertised in this poster are funded by the YESS program, though we encourage any person who is interested to apply.

Do you identify as someone who is facing barriers to employment?

(Please note that you do not need to disclose any additional details pertaining to what barriers you face in your application, unless the barrier is related to being a member of a visible minority group, being indigenous, or being a person with a disability, in which case we also recommend self-identifying in the Employment Equity section of your application as additional preference will be given to members of these groups.)

Tips for applicants:

- Provide complete and thorough details of your education and experience.
- Do not assume that we have any previous knowledge of your background, qualifications, or work history. You must be specific and provide concrete examples/details for each experience element, as applications will be offered an interview only based on the information that you provide.
- Failure to provide sufficient information may result in your application being screened out of the competition.

We thank all those who apply. Only those selected for further consideration will be contacted.

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