



Watersheds
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Love Your Lake Assistant- Summer Student Position(s)

Job Title:

Love Your Lake Assistant

Reports to:

Love Your Lake Program Manager and Conservation Researcher

Position Location:

Perth, Ontario

Length of Contract:

TBD (based on Government funding)

Pay Scale:

\$14.00 /h

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Position and Purpose:

The successful applicant will be involved primarily in the Love Your Lake Program at Watersheds Canada. They will be expected to have a general knowledge and/or background in Environmental Science, Biology or Natural Resources, and have some fieldwork experience.

As the Love Your Lake Assistant, your primary task will be to carry out shoreline assessments on waterfront properties within the area. You will be working closely with lake associations and volunteers to execute shoreline assessments and collect data. The data collected will be used to develop unique and tailored reports, which contain information on shoreline health, recommended voluntary actions for improvements, and resources for further information. The Love Your Lake Program is designed to support and encourage lake-wide communities to protect and enhance their shoreline and lake health.

The successful applicant will also be involved with raising shoreline property owner awareness of water stewardship principles and environmental impacts on lakes within the area. Other activities include attending community events, delivering educational materials to landowners, and participating in shoreline naturalizations.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Conduct fieldwork, analyze data and interpret results
- Submit accurate and up-to-date field records for continued data analysis and reporting
- Enter data into a secure database for reporting
- Answer questions regarding data collection, shoreline property reports and general program inquiries
- Assist in the general planning, implementation and evaluation of the program
- Promotion of the Love Your Lake Program
- Represent the program, the proponent and partners at local fairs, AGMs and other environmental events
- Assist in the distribution of information packages and surveys to residents of targeted lakes
- Solicit information from residents, attendees of local events, etc. that may contribute to data collection activities
- Writing of individual property reports for each property surveyed using a template
- Assist with communication functions for Watersheds Canada as needed



Additional Responsibilities:

- Use of own vehicle required
- Some travel, evening and weekend work is required
- Support other project components and staff as assigned by management

Qualification Requirements:

- Some College or University, with preference given to those with a specialization in Environmental Science, Biology or Natural Resources
- First-aid and CPR certification
- Qualify for Canada Summer Jobs funding:

Canada Summer Jobs

- Must be between 15 and 30 years of age at the start of the employment
- Legally entitled to work in Canada
- Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act for the duration of the employment
- Possess a valid Social Insurance Number at the start of employment

Experience:

- No experience required, however preference will be given to those with experience in aquatic fieldwork.

Skills:

- Excellent written and oral communication (French is an asset)
- High level of motivation and initiative
- Comfortable with public speaking and public engagement
- Strong computer skills with proficiency in MS Office
- Experience using ArcGIS software and portable GPS units
- Fieldwork is a strong asset
- Excellent judgment and decision making skills
- Comfortable working on and around water
- Proven team player and strong leadership skills



- High attention to detail for recording field data and generating reports
- Ability to adapt to changing environments and work schedules
- Proven multi-tasking skills to work in a fast-paced environment
- Ability to complete projects on time, within tight deadlines, and with limited supervision

Other:

- Valid G or G2 driver's license and access to a vehicle
- Possess (or ability to obtain) a Pleasure Craft Operator Card
- Boat operation experience is an asset
- Able to work outside in all weather conditions

How to Apply:

Applicants should submit their resumes along with references by email to: murphy@watersheds.ca

Only successful applicants will be contacted.

