

Outreach and Events Coordinator (Summer Student)

Summer Outreach and Events Coordinator 2 Locations: Coquitlam or Courtenay 12 weeks (start date flexible): 4 days/week @ 30 hours/week \$15/hour: Pending funding confirmation

From Canada's big cities to its remote land, waters, and rural communities, Tides Canada provides uncommon solutions for the common good.

Our mission is to help Canadians secure a healthy environment in ways that promote social equity and economic prosperity. To tackle the complex environmental and social problems that we face in Canada today, Tides Canada provides strategy, expertise, and tools to ensure changemakers can get from vision to impact.

The Freshwater Alliance, a project on the Tides Canada shared platform, is a national initiative that builds, connects and supports freshwater constituencies across Canada. We work with environmental organizations, community groups, governments and businesses to strengthen citizen engagement and participation in the protection of our lakes and rivers.

Position Summary: Our Summer Outreach and Events Coordinator (Summer Student) will be responsible for supporting the coordination of community outreach at events and event logistics for our water dialogue series. Events will celebrate the connection of our communities with our lakes, rivers and waterways and will be designed to increase public narratives, strengthen community engagement and raise awareness on water decisions affecting BC communities.

Responsibilities:

- Organize and lead in community outreach efforts for the Our Water BC initiative, including:
 - Attend a minimum of 5 local festivals and events on behalf of Our Water BC
 - Support the organizing of local events and activities (ie. local town halls, film screenings etc).
 - Attend other regional events as needed
- Support initiative communications, including:
 - Produce compelling social media posts
 - Contribute a minimum of 2 blog posts
 - Contribute to monthly initiative e-blasts
 - Support development of outreach materials
- Participate in regular team meetings.

Requirements:

This position is made possible with support from Canada Summer Jobs, a Canadian government grant that offers support for employers providing supervised career-related work experience for youth employees and only applicants who meet all of the following criteria will be considered:



- Between 15 and 30 years of age at the start of the employment;
- Have been registered as full-time students in the previous academic year and intend to return to school on a full-time basis in September;
- Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act 3; and
- Legally entitled to work in Canada in accordance with relevant provincial/territorial legislation and regulations.

Qualifications:

- An understanding of, and enthusiasm for protecting the health of the region's freshwater
- Experience with community volunteerism, engagement and outreach activities
- Experience in event organization and public engagement
- Willingness to communicate with residents of British Columbia on issues of freshwater health
- Strong oral and written communication skills, including social media tools and use of basic computer programs
- Excellent interpersonal and teamwork skills
- A valid driver's license and occasional access to use of an automobile is an asset but not essential

How to Apply:

Please send your resume and cover letter to danielle@freshwateralliance.ca by April 30th, 2019 and include "BC Summer Outreach Coordinator - <u>Coquitlam</u>" or "BC Summer Outreach Coordinator - <u>Courtenay</u>" in the subject line.

For more information about the Canadian Freshwater Alliance and Tides Canada, please visit:

http://www.freshwateralliance.ca and www.ourwaterbc.ca http://tidescanada.org/approach/shared-platform/

As Canadian Freshwater Alliance is on Tides Canada's Shared Platform, the selected candidate will be an employee of Tides Canada.

Tides Canada is strongly committed to creating a diverse workplace environment and we welcome and encourage applications from the communities we serve.

We are proud to be an equal opportunity employer.

Tides Canada will provide accommodation during all steps of the hiring process, upon request, to applicants with disabilities. Please advise us if you require any accommodation.

Our sincere appreciation to all those expressing interest in the position, however, only those applicants invited for an interview will be contacted. Thank you for your interest! We will accept applications until April 30, 2019. No phone calls or recruiters please.

