



Summer Employment Opportunity

Thames Talbot Land Trust (TTLT) invites applications for the Canada Summer Jobs Program position of Stewardship Technician.

Position Title: Stewardship Technician

Reports to: Conservation Property Manager

Location: London, Ontario

Hours of work: 30 hours per week for 8 - 16 weeks (to be determined), typically Monday to Thursday with occasional Friday, evening, and weekend work

Compensation: \$14/hour

Start Date: Between April 29th and May 21st 2019 (negotiable)

About Us:

TTLT's objective is to protect lands and waters of ecological, agricultural, and cultural value through a variety of mechanisms, such as: land acquisition, conservation easements, landscape restoration and education. TTLT currently stewards more than 600 ha (~1500 acres) of land in the City of London and in Perth, Middlesex and Elgin Counties. TTLT's mandate includes one of the most diverse and endangered ecosystems in the country, the Carolinian zone. This unique landscape contains 25% of Canada's population, but holds less than 1% of its land area. TTLT aims to play a pivotal role in conserving and restoring this diverse landscape.

Position Summary:

The Stewardship Technicians will be working on management of several TTLT conservation properties. This is an opportunity to build your skills and experience in conservation and restoration of natural ecosystems. Stewardship Technicians primarily work outside in nature and contribute to a range of restoration and property management projects.

Major Duties and Responsibilities:

- Removal of invasive plant species from properties (hand pulling, cutting using hand tools and pesticide application under proper supervision)
- Assisting with ongoing inventory of natural features including plants and animals, including data entry
- Assisting with species at risk inventory and monitoring
- The creation and maintenance of trails and trail structures
- Other property management duties as required (installing signage, repairing fences etc.)
- Assisting with public events including volunteer workdays, high school field trips, guided hikes, and other local events
- Assisting in the preparation of educational materials (e.g. trail guides, pamphlets, signs, web pages)

Experience, Abilities & Skills:

- Completing, or intend to complete, a post-secondary education with a specialization in environmental studies, ecology, biology or related field
- Previous experience and enthusiasm working outdoors, off trail, in all weather and conditions (eg. rain, heat, mosquitoes), as much of the job will take place in the field in remote locations
- Good knowledge of the flora and fauna of southern Ontario so that invasive species or sensitive species (including species at risk) will be recognized in the field
- Good writing and communication skills, and ability to develop and maintain good working relationships with staff, volunteers and community partners
- Excellent planning, organization, attention to detail, and time management skills
- Imagination, forethought and sense of humour dealing with unexpected situations and complex stewardship requirements
- Previous experience working with environmental conservation projects would be an asset
- A valid Ontario driver's license would be an asset
- The ability to occasionally use your own laptop for this position would be an asset
- Basic First Aid training and WHMIS certification would be assets

Eligibility:

- Participant must be between 18 and 30 years of age (inclusive) at the start of employment
- Participant must be legally entitled to work in Canada
- Participant must be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred

Please note this position, including the start date and duration of employment, is dependent upon funding.

Accommodation will be provided in all parts of the hiring process as required under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA), Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation. We request that applicants please communicate specific needs to facilitate planning.

Please email your application to ashley.turner@ttl.ca by April 7th.

- Please combine your cover letter and resume into a single PDF
- The name of the PDF should be your name
- The subject of the email should be "Stewardship Technician"

We thank all applicants for their interest however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Special thanks to the Government of Canada and the Canada Summer Jobs program for making these positions possible.