

## Overview: Summer Assistant (water quality, soil sampling)

We are recruiting enthusiastic summer staff to help in our diverse research program. As a group, we work in the area of environmental management, with a focus on water quality. As a part of our work, we study lakes, streams, wetlands, and agricultural lands. Our team includes faculty, graduate students, staff, and postdoctoral fellows. The successful candidates will have diverse opportunities to learn new skills and support a variety of field and lab efforts. We're enthusiastic about our work and are looking for someone who will also enjoy the team environment and show similar dedication and commitment to our program.

### **We are looking for one full-time summer student from May until September (with possible extension during the fall season)**

#### Nature of work:

The position provides diverse opportunities to work at varied field sites, learn about field-based instrumentation, sensors, and plan and implement field campaigns ranging from boat-based lake and wetland sampling to soil sampling. The successful applicant will gain experience in laboratory analyses, including manual and automated analyses, data management, QAQC and have the opportunity to interact with a diverse research team at multiple career stages.

#### Targeted skills and attributes:

- ▶ Applicants should have coursework in Environment Science, Geography, Soil Science, Biology, or Chemistry (or related areas).
- ▶ Must be willing to travel and adjust schedule to include long days outdoors.
- ▶ Able to work alone productively or in groups.
- ▶ Good judgement and commitment to safe work.
- ▶ Forward thinking and hands on.
- ▶ Take direction and initiative.
- ▶ Ability to stay focused and detail-oriented while doing repetitive tasks.
- ▶ Outstanding team player.
- ▶ Must have a valid driver's license and clean driver's abstract.
- ▶ Must have Standard First Aid training (or willingness to take the training).
- ▶ Must have lab safety training (or willingness to take the training).
- ▶ Comfortable using Excel and Word. Skills in other software, (particularly for data management) are considered an asset.
- ▶ The ideal applicant would have interest in pursuing independent research (e.g., Honours or Masters project).

If you are interested in working with a great group of people over the summer, please send your resume and a cover letter or email to: Helen Baulch ([helen.baulch@usask.ca](mailto:helen.baulch@usask.ca)) and Katy Nugent ([katy.nugent@usask.ca](mailto:katy.nugent@usask.ca)). Please indicate in the subject line "summer applicant".

We are eager to diversify our team. We invite all applications, and highlight that extensive experience is not required – we will train successful candidates to succeed on the job. The University believes equity, diversity, and inclusion strengthen the community and enhance excellence, innovation and creativity. We are dedicated to recruiting individuals who will enrich our work and learning environments. We are committed to providing accommodations to those with a disability or medical necessity. If you require an accommodation in order to participate in the recruitment process, please notify us and we will work together on the accommodation request.

The University of Saskatchewan's main campus is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. We pay our respects to the First Nations and Métis ancestors of this place and reaffirm our relationship with one another. Together, we are uplifting Indigenization to a place of prominence at the University of Saskatchewan.