



University of Northern British Columbia

**Exempt Position
Posting #12-001EX**

Manager, Quesnel River Research Centre (QRRC) Likely, British Columbia (Full-time, 3 year Term position with possibility for renewal)

The University of Northern British Columbia seeks an outstanding and innovative leader to help develop the Quesnel River Research Centre (QRRC) into an internationally recognized landscape and watershed ecology research station.

The QRRC is located near Likely, British Columbia, a small (<300 residents) resource-based community situated in the Quesnel River basin (QRB) within the Cariboo Mountains. QRRC emphasizes landscape and watershed ecology as its research foci. The response of watersheds to climate change and anthropogenic impacts is currently being investigated in the QRB by a range of UNBC faculty and graduate students. The Quesnel River watershed, including Quesnel Lake (~12,000 km²), comprises an extremely varied, wild and productive landscape. The watershed incorporates eight biogeoclimatic zones (BGCZ) ranging from sub-boreal spruce to interior cedar hemlock to alpine-tundra. BGCZ changes in this region occur over short elevational distances and longer latitudinal transects allowing for unique opportunities to study temporal and spatial transitions in climate, soils, hydrology and vegetation. The watershed incorporates one of the deepest North American lakes (>510 m) which is an interior nursery lake for five species of salmon, for which the tributaries provide excellent spawning grounds.

The QRRC facilities include an environmental wet and dry lab, a series of unique outdoor flumes, fish hatchery capabilities, a number of boats as well as residential space located on the banks of the Quesnel River. For additional information, please visit www.unbc.ca/qrrc.

We are seeking a full time, on-site manager with strong people and leadership skills to work with our academic researchers and community partners and to facilitate the development of a strong community based research and monitoring program and a leading watershed ecology research program.

This is a unique opportunity for an individual who has the desire to help develop a strong and vibrant research station in a resource-rich, active community.

Duties and Responsibilities:

Reporting to the Dean of the College of Science and Management (UNBC, Prince George campus), and working closely with the QRRC Advisory Committee and academic researchers, the Manager will enable the vision of the QRRC to be an international leader in watershed ecology research and learning by:

- Ensuring the safe, effective operation of the facility
- Creating an active culture of communication, knowledge transfer and outreach to highlight the scientific and social importance of QRRC programs and research
- Establishing research projects linking the community and the Centre
- Facilitating the development of research programs which link UNBC faculty, visiting researchers, students and the community
- Facilitating the development and supporting the delivery of credit field courses based out of the Centre

Duties and Responsibilities - continued:

- Pursuing grants and innovative funding opportunities to support research and outreach
- Developing and maintaining monitoring programs
- Building beneficial partnerships to link science to the community

Qualifications:

Advanced Degree (PhD preferred) in a related science with a diversity of experience in scientific research, teaching, administration and development, typically obtained through five or more years of work experience, or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

Compensation:

Salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience.

UNBC offers an attractive benefits package, funding for professional development, and the opportunity to work with emerging technologies.

To Apply:

This position is open to both internal and external candidates. However, internal applications will be given priority consideration for the first five (5) days of this posting (until February 8, 2012).

Those interested in this exciting opportunity should forward their curriculum vitae (quoting competition #12-001EX) along with proof of education and three references to:

Human Resources, University of Northern British Columbia,
3333 University Way, Prince George, BC, V2N 4Z9.

Email submissions: HRecruit@unbc.ca.

Inquiries: 250-960-5521

We thank all applicants for their interest in UNBC. However, only those applicants selected for further consideration will be contacted

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. The University of Northern British Columbia is committed to employment equity and encourages applications from women, aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities and members of visible minorities.

***Applications will be reviewed after March 8, 2012.
Applications will continue to be accepted until position is filled.***
