



Work Description for Co-op Student
Stewardship & Regional Operations Directorate
Canadian Wildlife Service (Prairie Region)
Environment and Climate Change Canada

The Canadian Wildlife Service (Prairie and Northern Region) within Environment Canada is looking for energetic individuals desiring a challenging and stimulating work experience. The Canadian Wildlife Service Division needs motivated candidates to help conduct forest bird surveys in remote regions of the boreal forest in.

Benefits to joining our team include on-the-job training and development of contacts and networks within the Government of Canada. You will also gain valuable experience in the public sector, which could lead to potential offers of employment upon graduation. Your career goals and work objectives are important to us.

Job Title: Wildlife Technician

Key Activities:

Duties could include:

- Programming, deployment, and retrieval of autonomous recording units (ARUs) that record vocalizations made by wildlife
- Hiking, driving, flying (float plane and/or helicopter), and canoeing to study sites in the boreal forest
- Learning to identify boreal forest birds by sight and sound, and/or improving your these skills, and using them to assist in wildlife surveys
- Data entry and data management of field data, as well as processing acoustic recording data

Why This Job Is Right For You:

- You enjoy working in the out of doors and contributing to conservation efforts;
- You gain important experience and skills in field biology;
- You will gain a better understanding of governmental activities; and
- You will have the benefit of enhancing your learning experience by interacting with supportive and experienced colleagues and managers.

Why You Are Right For This Job:



- You are enrolled as a 3rd or 4th year Bachelor's degree student or Master's degree student in one of the following disciplines: Biology, Environmental Science, Environmental Studies, or other different discipline/program if related to this description;
 - You have a sound understanding of the roles and responsibilities of Environment Canada;
 - You enjoy working in the outdoors and are comfortable in working in remote environments
 - You don't mind working in harsh environments and don't mind working long hours, being bitten by insects (e.g. mosquitoes), and potentially encountering wildlife (e.g. bears, moose)
 - You are comfortable with inter-group and inter-personal communication;
 - You have an ability to work independently, under tight deadlines:
 - You have strong organizational skills;
 - You have an ability to pay attention to detail;
 - You are able to demonstrate creativity, initiative and flexibility;
 - You have a good working knowledge of Microsoft Office and other computer software;
 - You display tact, sound judgment, maturity, and a sense of humor; and
 - You are self-motivated and capable of working with minimal supervision.

If you are looking to maximize your co-op learning experience with a challenging, exciting, and rewarding work term, think about Environment Canada.

If you are compatible with this position, Environment Canada encourages and welcomes your application.

Employer: Canadian Wildlife Service (Prairie Region), Environment & Climate Change Canada

Supervisor: Steven L. Van Wilgenburg

Location of Job: Saskatoon, SK

Particulars:



- Work period is from May to August, 2016 (~4 months, or 16 weeks)
- Monday through Friday, 8:30 - 4:30 (full time, 37.5h/week) in office, hours will vary during field work and will include periods where the work days will be ~ 3:30 AM – 11:30 AM); overtime may be accrued during June and you would be compensated.
- Start and end dates could be flexible
- Payment based on federal government rates (depending on amount of work terms completed and level of education). See link for rates of pay: <https://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/psm-fpfm/pay-remuneration/rates-taux/student-etudiants-eng.asp>
- Relocation expenses will be provided (up to \$1000 for plane ticket and \$200 for other expenses)
- Visit <http://www.ec.gc.ca/> to learn more about Environment Canada.

A COVER LETTER AND A RÉSUMÉ ARE REQUIRED. Please send to Steve.vanwilgenburg@Canada.ca

This job is primarily open to Canadian citizens.

Successful completion of both your educational program and a co-op/internship work assignment may lead to temporary or permanent federal public service positions for which you meet the merit criteria and conditions of employment.