



JOB POSTING – 2020 Research Field Team Program

Position: Research Field Team Lead (Assistant to the Park Biologist)

Location: Quetico Provincial Park, Atikokan ON, P0T 1C0

Length of Employment: 16 weeks – early May to the end of August

Application Deadline: March 2, 2020 or when position is filled

Position Description: This is a 16 week summer employment opportunity funded by The Quetico Foundation from the Margery J. Warren bequest, to provide a student in a field sciences or natural resource related undergraduate or graduate program with an opportunity to gain valuable experience in their chosen field. The successful candidate will lead a small field team under the direction of the Park Biologist assisting with the collection and analysis of ecological field data in a wilderness environment. Considerable time will be spent in the field in canoe accessible backcountry locations for extended periods. Rate of pay will be (\$20 per hour). Accommodation is available at the Quetico Provincial Park Staff House for \$25 per week. Camping gear is provided, and food expenses incurred while on backcountry work trips are reimbursed.

Field work may include ecological monitoring in support of the long term ecological monitoring framework for the Park such as setting up remote data collection devices (song meters, cameras, and temperature loggers), fire history data sampling, fish population and aquatic ecosystem assessment, and vegetation community monitoring. Additional work may include collection of habitat data, invasive species surveys, and bathymetric surveys.

Responsibilities as a team leader include, backcountry trip planning, following field safety and communications protocols, making day to day navigational, work planning and safety decisions in the field and supporting an inclusive and positive team environment.

Office work for the Research Field Team Lead will depend on the experience of the individual and may include a variety of backcountry canoe trip planning, scheduling, analytical work, identification, report writing and data entry as well as administrative tasks.

Skills and Knowledge Required:

- Presently pursuing graduate or undergraduate studies in a field sciences or natural resource program (i.e. biology, environmental studies, field ecology, forest conservation, resource management)
- Experience organizing and leading multi-day backcountry canoe trips.
- Knowledge of field sampling techniques and research methodologies and protocols
- Knowledge of the flora and fauna of North-western Ontario
- Knowledge and experience with Microsoft Office programs
- Knowledge and experience of GIS an asset
- First Aid/CPR certification
- Drivers Licence
- Personal vehicle an asset (mileage reimbursed)
- Ability to work in all weather/environmental conditions

Please send cover letter and resume as soon as possible to:

Trevor Gibb, Park Superintendent, Quetico Provincial Park, trevor.gibb@ontario.ca

Qualified candidates will be contacted for an interview to be scheduled before the end of March.