

POSITION AVAILABLE – 2024 RESEARCH FIELD TEAM

Position:	Research Team Leader
Location:	Quetico Provincial Park, Hwy 11, Atikokan, Ontario 108 Saturn Ave, Atikokan, Ontario, P0T 1C0
Length of Employment:	16 weeks; May 6 th – August 23 rd , 2024
Application Deadline:	March 18 th , 2024, 5:00pm Eastern Standard Time (Send your cover letter and resume to <i>jared.stachiw@ontario.ca</i>)
Compensation:	\$21.00/hour - 40 hours/week

Position Description:

This summer employment opportunity is funded by the Quetico Foundation through the Margery J. Warren bequest. The purpose of this position is to provide a student in the field sciences or related post-secondary program the opportunity to gain valuable experience. The Research Team Leader is part of a two-person research field team primarily responsible for collecting data in the remote wilderness of Quetico Provincial Park under the direction of the Park Biologist. When in the office, responsibilities will include data entry, analysis, and report writing.

Field work will be in support of the long-term monitoring of Quetico's ecological integrity and may include deploying remote data collection devices (e.g., audio recorders, cameras, and temperature loggers), fish population and aquatic ecosystem assessment, vegetation community monitoring, and fire effects and history data collection. Additional work may include the collection of habitat data, invasive species surveys, and bathymetric surveys. Office work will depend on the experience of the individual and may include backcountry trip planning, species identification, data entry, report writing, and various administrative tasks.

Responsibilities as Research Team Leader include backcountry canoe trip planning, following field safety and communications protocols, backcountry navigation, and work planning/safety decisions in the field. The Team Leader is also responsible for promoting an inclusive and positive team environment while providing direction and learning opportunities for the Research Team Member.

Accommodation is available at the Quetico Provincial Park Staff House at the Dawson Trail Campground. Camping gear, food, and supplies are provided only while in the backcountry.

Skill and Knowledge Requirements:

- Must be currently pursuing graduate or undergraduate studies in a field sciences or natural resource program (I.e., biology, environmental studies, geography, forestry, ecology, resource management, etc.).
- A passion for field work is an asset.
- Strong leadership skills.

- Multi-day backcountry trip experience, with canoe tripping experience being an asset.
- Experience organizing and leading multi-day backcountry trips.
- Extensive outdoor skills and experience, including camping, canoeing, bushcraft, swimming, and orienteering. Associated certifications are an asset.
- Ability to work outdoors comfortably and safely in all weather conditions.
- Knowledge of field sampling techniques and research methods.
- Knowledge of the flora and fauna of northwestern Ontario.
- Knowledge and experience with Microsoft Office programs.
- Knowledge and experience with Geographic Information Systems.
- First Aid/CPR certifications needed Wilderness First Aid or higher is an asset.
- Driver's License. Personal vehicle is an asset.

<u>Please send your cover letter and resume to the Quetico Provincial Park Biologist, Jared Stachiw, at</u> *jared.stachiw@ontario.ca* prior to the application deadline.