

**DO YOU LOVE NATURE AND WANT MEANINGFUL SUMMER EMPLOYMENT?
The Sunshine Coast Conservation Association is seeking outgoing,
hard-working student interns as our
CONSERVATION RESEARCH & OUTREACH COORDINATORS.**



Responsibilities include:

The students will work with our Program Manager and the SCCA Board members to:

- i) engage community members and visiting tourists in the conservation of biodiversity on the Sunshine Coast by assisting with presenting workshops and public presentations on local biodiversity and environmental issues, staffing outreach booths at local events, distributing educational materials, contributing articles to our seasonal newsletters, and maintaining website and social media campaigns
- ii) conduct research to gather data, anecdotal information and biodiversity values statistics to contribute to information packages and educational materials on marine and terrestrial conservation projects.
- iii) assist in presenting the 2nd Annual Sechelt Oceans Day celebration (June 9th), acting as volunteer team lead and educational activities lead, as well as assist with communications and outreach.
- iv) take the lead in working with the Sunshine Coast Arts Council to present our annual Arts & Conservation Children's Art Program, including planning and leading educational activities for youth aged 9 – 12 years old.

The Coordinators will also have the opportunity to pursue projects that relate to their career path while being relevant to current SCCA initiatives.

Eligibility:

Applicants must:

- Have been registered as a full-time student in 2017/2018, and intend to return to school full-time in the 2018/2019 academic year.
- be a Canadian citizen, a permanent resident, or have official refugee protection status, and be legally entitled to work in Canada.
- be between 15 to 30 years of age.

Qualifications:

- Knowledgeable about biodiversity, conservation and environmental issues.
- Experience working with the public in an educational and outreach capacity, particularly in the themes of environment and conservation.
- Experience with research projects including aptitude for compiling data and information into a variety of presentation formats.
- Demonstrated time management and organization skills, and proven ability to prioritize tasks, and to work independently as well as with a team.
- Outstanding interpersonal and communication skills, including experience writing & presenting clear, concise reports & articles, and engaging public communications.

- Conversant in general computer skills including updating social media and websites (knowledge of Joomla and Wordpress is an asset), using MS Office, etc.
- Access to reliable transportation and willingness to travel throughout Lower Sunshine Coast. Access to a computer, internet and telephone and able to respond to communications in a timely manner.
- Experience with fundraising and graphic & web design an asset.

Compensation & Term:

These job placements are made possible by the Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) program of the Government of Canada. The work term is a minimum of 10 weeks to a maximum of 16 weeks, starting as early as May 8th, for 35 hours per week at \$13/hr. The number of weeks available is contingent upon the funds awarded by CSJ.

Employer:

The Sunshine Coast Conservation Association is a volunteer association representing local conservation and community groups, plus individual members dedicated to protecting the natural biodiversity of the Sunshine Coast region for the present and future benefit of humanity and all life.

Specifically, the SCCA carries out the following activities:

1. Conducts research to inventory and describe our remaining natural areas with the goal of identifying land and waters important for the preservation of biodiversity.
2. Works to retain such lands and waters in a natural state and make them available for public enjoyment where possible.
3. Raises public environmental and conservation awareness by sponsoring educational programs and workshops and by supporting low impact recreation.

We publish a newsletter and various environmental research & information publications, host regular fundraising and celebration events, and present speaker and workshop series on issues of relevance to Sunshine Coast residents.

For more information, visit our website: www.thescca.ca.

How to Apply:

The application deadline is April 19th, 2018. Please send a cover letter and resume, including names, email addresses and phone numbers of 3 references by email to: office@thescca.ca. *Incomplete applications will not be considered.*

First Nations and visible minority students are encouraged to apply.

We thank all applicants for their interest. Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.