

Summer Student (Indigenous Focus) – Position Description

Supporting Indigenous engagement and connection to land in the Beaver Hills Biosphere.

The opportunity

The Beaver Hills Biosphere (the Biosphere) is seeking a qualified individual to support the Indigenous engagement coordinator in their work. The Biosphere's Indigenous engagement plan focuses on building relationships between Nations and Individuals who have ancestral connections to the Beaver Hills and the lands within the Biosphere. This position will also gain a breadth of experience working with Biosphere staff and partners on various projects related to conservation, education, restoration and climate change resilience.

The ideal candidate will

- Have an interest in conservation, land management, climate change mitigation and Indigenous perspectives on conservation.
- Knowledge of First Nation and Métis cultures, communities and connections to land within Treaty 6 specifically near Edmonton and the Beaver Hills.
- Be confident and/or experienced in building relationships with Indigenous peoples including Nation representatives, Elders, Youth and community members in both rural and urban settings.
- Be comfortable being out on the land working with groups.
- Have strong facilitation skills with a variety of groups and a willingness to expand their leadership potential.
- Contribute to the Biosphere's social media efforts.
- Network in virtual and in person settings.
- Articulate goals and projects to a variety of visitors, stakeholders and the public.

Position details

This is a full-time position (approximately 35 hours/week) for a four-month term beginning May 1, 2022. Some travel within the metro Edmonton region and central-Alberta may be required.

Interested and qualified individuals should send their cover letter and resume to <u>info@beaverhills.ca</u> on or before **April 20, 2022.**

We embrace diversity and encourage applications from all qualified individuals. We thank all applicants for their interest, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

About the Beaver Hills Biosphere

Situated east of Edmonton, Alberta, the Beaver Hills was designated as a biosphere on March 19, 2016 by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). This designation provides global recognition of a collective commitment by the communities within the Beaver Hills region to promote solutions reconciling the conservation of biodiversity with its sustainable use. Learn more at <u>beaverhills.ca</u>.