



Unama'ki Institute of Natural Resources

Employment Opportunity

Forestry Outreach Coordinator

(Full time position until March 31, 2022)

The Unama'ki Institute of Natural Resources (UINR) is a non-profit natural resource management organization that works on behalf of Cape Breton's five Mi'kmaw communities toward a sustainable Unama'ki.

UINR has partnered with Wahkohtowin Development to explore the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) new National Forest Stewardship Standard (NFSS) and the concepts and tools within --such as Free and Prior Informed Consent (FPIC) and Indigenous Cultural Landscapes (ICLs) -- to determine if these approaches are compatible with or can contribute to the development of a unique Mi'kmaw approach to forestry. Goals of this collaboration also include the facilitation and growth of information sharing with Indigenous peoples across Canada on the tools and opportunities within FSC and the NFSS to support Indigenous values and stewardship approaches on the land and to promote a sustainable forestry industry through an Indigenous lens. UINR is looking to hire a Forestry Outreach Coordinator to work with Wahkohtowin Development to inform communities in Eastern Canada of the new NFSS and help explore opportunities to advance the work of UINR under the new standard.

Key Areas of Responsibility:

- Work with UINR and Wahkohtowin staff and available FSC-related resources to build internal knowledge and capacity;
- Be available to take calls from other Nations expressing interests in FSC Certification and make referrals
- Assess ability of FSC and new NFSS to support development of a Mi'kmaw forestry framework with Netukulimk principles.
- Participate in/review resources as part of rolling out the new FSC National Forest Stewardship Standard.
- Provide support to UINR Forestry staff and attend meetings as requested.
- Assist in the creation of communication materials for internal and external audiences.
- Other duties pertaining to the role as required.

Position Requirements:

- Degree in Science, Environmental Management OR equivalent combination of education and experience in both areas of study
- Special consideration will be given to those with a background in Forestry
- Knowledge of Forest Stewardship Council certification framework an asset
- Demonstrated leadership and management abilities and communication skills
- Strong understanding of Mi'kmaw culture, and experience working in and around Indigenous communities an asset

Qualifications:

- Must be highly motivated with a positive and professional approach to interacting with the public
- Ability to express ideas clearly and logically to appeal to their intended audience
- Be a self-starter
- Experience in technical research, writing, and communications
- Must be willing and able to work year round, in all weather conditions, evenings and weekends if needed
- Must have reliable transportation and the ability to travel

Salary: : \$40,000 annually

Deadline for application: June 14, 2021

Only candidates considered will be contacted for interviews. Personal suitability will be considered during the hiring process. UINR hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity. We encourage all qualified persons to apply; however, qualified Aboriginal applicants will be given priority in accordance with the Aboriginal Employment Preference policy of the Canadian Human Rights Commission.

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