



Unama'ki Institute of Natural Resources

Employment Opportunity

Habitat Restoration Interns

Four positions (3 interns, 1 intern manager),
11 week positions July 4 to Sept 16, 2022

UINR is a non-profit natural resource management organization that works on behalf of Cape Breton's Mi'kmaw communities on natural resource management and Traditional Mi'kmaq Knowledge toward a sustainable Unama'ki.

Reporting to the Intern Manager (1), the Habitat Restoration Interns (3) and intern manager will be participating in an 11-week Internship where they will learn about aquatic habitat restoration projects in Unama'ki, and how restoration techniques improve the health of the aquatic ecosystems. The intern manager will coordinate the interns and facilitate placement with other organizations.

The interns/intern manager will learn different restoration techniques and in what scenario each one is best used. At the end of 11 weeks they will have experience in and be able to determine habitat suitability and conduct culvert assessments. The interns will learn additional skills such as data collection, analysis and compilation; using and caring for scientific equipment; and safety in the field.

The project focus is the Margaree and Mabou watershed and other important areas in Unama'ki. This is a capacity building position. Training will be provided and mentors will be available. The positions will be based out of the UINR office in Eskasoni, NS.

Key Responsibilities

- Work as member of a team under the direction of UINR and the Intern Manager.
- Participate in habitat restoration training (online, in-person and in the field)
- Assist with projects such as fish habitat restoration, aquatic monitoring and others as required from time to time.
- Record data into logbooks
- Conduct culvert assessments
- Work with and learn from various mentors
- Maintain a log of weekly activities

Position Requirements

- Mi'kmaw individuals from one of the 5 Mi'kmaw communities in Unama'ki
- Demonstrate or have an interest in fish, fish habitats, restoration and/or the environment through work, education, and/or volunteer experience
- Be willing and comfortable to work in and around water
- Be willing and comfortable working outdoor and in changing weather conditions
- Adapt to the daily, physical challenges associated with fieldwork in rivers
- Up to date CPR and first aid certification an asset

Salary: \$750/week (intern); \$ 900/week (intern manager)

Deadline for application: June 28, 2022

Please submit an informal letter of interest indicating how you meet the requirements and why you would like to participate in habitat restoration to shelley.denny@uinr.ca. Please indicate **CONSIDERATION AS INTERN** in the subject heading.