Schoolyard Farm Intern Fresh Roots: Vancouver Edition

FRESH ROOTS

Application Deadline: Reviewed on rolling basis until January 15th, 2018

Start Date: March 2018

Good Food for All

Everyone should have access to healthy food, soil, and community. We enact this vision by cultivating engaging gardens and programs that catalyze healthy eating, ecological stewardship, and community celebration. Fresh Roots stewards 1/2-acre market gardens on school grounds across the lower mainland. Our fields produce good food for the community, empower youth through vocational skills development, and serve as hands-on outdoor classrooms for over 5000 students each year.

The Position

If you love to be outside and to get away from the monotony of the computer, if you love sharing food with your community, or if you see the magic in sprouting seeds, this might be the position for you! The Schoolyard Farm Interns will assist the Farm Manager in growing Good Food on school grounds. As part of the farm team, interns will take part in crop production, field maintenance, harvesting, and produce sales. They will also help to lead youth in the growing and selling of healthy food. And they'll be eligible for summer employment through Canada Summer Jobs as our Schoolyard Farm Staff.

Qualifications

- Must meet <u>Canada Summer Jobs</u>
 <u>Requirements</u> and be interested in
 continuing full-time during the summer
- Must be interested to continue part-time for credit during the fall
- Passion for farming and local food systems
- Experience in gardening or farming
- Physically fit and able to carry out a variety of tasks that involve bending, squatting, and lifting
- Happy to work outdoors in all conditions
- Can take direction and act as a leader to carry out specific tasks
- Team player with patience and a sense of humour (vegetable puns are encouraged)
- Able to give and receive feedback
- Able to pass a criminal record check

Key Details

- UBC Credit option, 6 credits, LFS 496
- Kwantlen credit option: 3 credits, AGRI 4295
- This is a two-semester internship for credit in the winter and fall. Hours will break down roughly as follows:

o February: 20 hours

March: 35 hours

o April: 60 hours

September: 60 hours*

October: 30 hours*

November and December: 27 hours*
 *hours will be double for 6 credit internships

If hired for summer, position will transition to paid, 40 hours per week in May. Pay rate DOE, but not less than \$15.00/hour.

How to Apply: E-mail a short cover letter (500 words) and resume (in one document) to jobs@freshroots.ca with your name and the name of the position in the subject. Applications must be received no later than January 15, 2018. Only those selected for interviews will be contacted.

