



Schoolyard Farm Intern

Location: South and East Vancouver, BC

Application Deadline: November 23, 2018

Good Food for All

Everyone should have access to healthy food, soil, and community. Fresh Roots enacts 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. Its 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 Intern will assist the Fresh Roots Farm Manager in growing Good Food on school grounds. As part of the farm team, the Schoolyard Farm Intern will take part in crop production, field maintenance, harvesting, and produce sales. Fresh Roots Interns will have a chance to learn and work in many areas of the organization, including elementary and teen educational programming.

Interns are expected to enroll in the Career Development Internship course (LFS 496) in their respective programs. Interns are to enroll for 3 credits in the winter semester and again for 3 credits in the fall semester. At the end of the internship, students will be eligible to receive course credit towards their UBC degree. This position will continue through the summer with full-time paid employment through Canada Summer Jobs from May through August.

Qualifications

- UBC student eligible for LFS 496, directed studies or a Kwantlen student eligible for AGRI 4295
- Must meet [Canada Summer Jobs Requirements](#) and be able to continue full-time in the summer
- Experience in gardening or farming
- 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 also 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 252 hour unpaid, for credit internship over two semesters, January to May and September to November. Hours per month will break down roughly as follows:
 - January-March: 25 hours
 - April-May: 100 hours
 - September-November: 125 hours
- Position will transition to paid, 40 hours per week for mid-May through August. 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 November 15, 2018. We regret that due to the high volume of applicants only those selected for interviews will be contacted.