



Job Opportunity

Position Title: Indigenous Youth Program Coordinator

Terms: 32 hrs/wk, full-time permanent

Start Date: January 2022

Salary: \$38,000 - \$40,000 (\$23 - \$24/hr)

Benefits: 4 weeks vacation | \$500 Health Spending Account

Are you inspired by land-based education for Indigenous youth? Are you a confident youth facilitator? Do you have experience with plant medicines and land stewardship? We're looking for an Indigenous educator to lead land-based programs for Indigenous youth in East Vancouver, including designing lesson plans and sharing cultural and/or personal knowledge of harvesting and working with plant medicines and relationship to the land.

This position is open to people who identify as Indigenous. Please self-identify in your application.

Key responsibilities

- Plan and facilitate 10-week land-based programs for youth ages 14-18
- Design lesson plans and share cultural knowledge and/or personal experience with plant medicines (salves, teas), harvesting protocols, reciprocity with the land, and kinship with plants and animals
- Host Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers from various nations
- Apply a trauma-informed and decolonial lens to program delivery
- Support and supervise Peer Mentors (youth volunteers)
- Support youth to fully attend and engage with the program
- Lead weekly social media posts for your programs
- Help with the recruitment of 8-10 youth participants per program
- Coordinate program logistics (materials purchase, scheduling guests, etc.)
- Manage program administrative tasks
- Support program evaluation: youth surveys, interviews, etc.
- Help to maintain EYA's native plant nursery and medicine gardens

Requirements

- 6 months experience planning and facilitating programs for youth
- Experience designing lesson plans and curriculum
- Experience with plant medicines, plant harvesting, and land stewardship practices
- Clear and open communication skills
- Able to work collaboratively with a small team
- Organized and a good problem solver
- Committed to doing your best work
- Flexible and willing to pitch in to make things happen
- Personal values fit with EYA mission and culture
- Satisfactory criminal record check, including vulnerable sector check

Assets

- Knowledge of trauma-informed practice
- Knowledge of local native plants and ecology
- Class 5 or 7 driver's licence or plans to obtain

About the organization

EYA engages youth facing barriers to become environmental stewards. We provide land-based education and paid job training programs that braid Western and Indigenous perspectives on land stewardship. Our work recognizes the intersection of social and environmental injustice. You'll be joining a collaborative team of caring, creative, fun, like-minded colleagues and an organization committed to decolonizing action. Find out more about our team and work: www.eya.ca

How to apply

E-mail a resume and cover letter to Emily Keller, Executive Director at jobs@eya.ca

The deadline to apply is November 22 or until filled. Applications will be reviewed upon submission and interviews will be scheduled on a rolling basis.

EYA operates on unceded xʷməθkʷəyəm (Musqueam), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish), and sə́ilwətaʔt̓ (Tsleil-Waututh) territory.