

2015 Summer Experience Program (SEP)



Research Assistant (1 position)

The Summer Experience Program student will have the opportunity to be involved in a variety of field, laboratory and data work with Dr. John Lauzon's "Yield and Quality Response of Alfalfa and Canola to Sulphur Fertilizer" project, greenhouse trial and other projects. Some field research tasks include soil sampling, helping with plot set up and maintenance throughout the growing season, taking plant samples and harvesting plots. Some laboratory work may include grinding the plant samples for analysis, weighing and drying plant samples, processing soil samples, sample preparation, and general lab maintenance. Some data work might include recording and maintaining plot records, typing up data produced from their field and lab activities, and reviewing papers. Travelling to and from the Guelph campus to the research sites using university vehicles for field research will be required, and a G class license would be considered an asset.

Over the length of the program the SEP student should experience the data gathering and generating side of a research project: taking samples in the field, processing their samples in the lab, and being able to see the type and quality of data that they produce. The student will have the opportunity to help and work with graduate students, technicians, research associates, international students and other professors, as well as observe other projects associated with Dr. John Lauzon and learn additional methods of field and laboratory research techniques.

This position will provide employment for a total of 34 days at 7.25 hours per day (36.25 hours per week for approximately 7 weeks throughout the employment period) at minimum wage (\$11/hr). This would generate approximately 246.5 hours to be worked between May 1, 2015 to August 29, 2015.

Resumes and Cover Letters will be accepted during the posting period from April 2, 2015 to April 17, 2015 (10 business days). Please send your application (paper or electronic) to John Lauzon at the School of Environmental Sciences. Interviews will be conducted in the weeks following April 17, 2015.

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To be eligible for this position you must fulfill the criteria below. **Please indicate your eligibility in your application:**

- student must be resident of Ontario on first day of employment
- student must be legally entitled to work in Canada
- student must be 15-24 years of age (up to 29 years for persons with a disability, if disabled, within the meaning of s.10 of the Ontario Human Rights Code, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.19, as amended from time to time) on first day of employment
- student must be a student (currently enrolled in a secondary or post-secondary institution, returning in Sept. 2015, on academic break or graduated within 6 months of first day of employment)

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