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Start/End date:
Application deadline:

Summer Palaeontology Field Assistant \$18.00/hour May 6, 2019 – August 23, 2019 Thursday April 11, 2019

## Job Description:

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The Summer Palaeontology Field Assistant will serve a specific role in the research and education mandate assisting with fossil collection in the field. The student will assist as necessary in the field and with supervision of a paid public excavation program at our Pipestone Creek fossil site. The position will both make use of proper palaeontological field techniques and teach those field techniques to museum visitors. In addition to fieldwork, as necessary, the position will assist with fossil preparation and volunteer supervision in the lab. The Summer Palaeontology Field Assistant will be based out of the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum, with many days spent primarily outdoors at various fossil sites.

The ideal candidate must have the following qualities:

- 1. Currently attending and will be returning to post-secondary education with a degree in palaeontology, geology, archaeology, museum studies, zoology, biology, science, engineering, or equivalent.
- 2. An Alberta Class 5 or higher Driver's License or equivalent.
- 3. Knowledgeable or interested in Alberta's palaeontology, geology, and/or natural history.
- 4. Attention to detail, good organizational skills, and the ability to work independently on focussed tasks.
- 5. Fluent in written and spoken English.
- 6. Basic computer and technology skills, including experience using Microsoft Excel.
- 7. The ability to lift moderately heavy objects.

Preference will be given to candidates who have:

- 1. Experience preparing and/or handling fossils in a lab or field setting.
- 2. Supervision experience.
- 3. Experience with collection database software.

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## **Candidate Eligibility:**

Candidate Eligibility is stipulated by Young Canada Works Grant guidelines. Any student applying must:

- Be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident, or have refugee status in Canada. Note: Non-Canadian students holding temporary work visas or awaiting permanent status are not eligible.
- 2. Be legally entitled to work in Canada.
- 3. Be between 16 and 30 years of age at the start of employment.
- 4. Willing to commit to the full duration of the work assignment.
- 5. Not have another full-time job (over 30 hours a week) while employed with YCW.
- 6. Have been a full-time student (as defined by your educational institution) in the semester preceding the YCW job.
- 7. Intend to return to full-time studies in the semester following the YCW job.
- 8. Be registered in the YCW on-line candidate inventory. (see "To Apply")

Any eligible person is welcome to apply for this position. To apply, visit the following website to register in the YCW online candidate inventory: <u>https://young-canada-works.canada.ca</u>. Application deadline Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. Email your cover letter and resume to the following address:

Email: dlarson@dinomuseum.ca

Please note only successful shortlisted candidates will be contacted and selected for the interview process. Skype interviews are possible.