



Job Opportunity: Aquatic Observer (Temporary 6-8 weeks)

The NunatuKavut Community Council (NCC), in collaboration with the Labrador/Fisheries and Marine Institute of Memorial University, is seeking applications for an Aquatic Observer position based in the NunatuKavut Community of Charlottetown. In partnership with several partners, the successful candidate will be working closely with Chelsea Boaler (PhD student) to document capelin activity along the south coast of Labrador and collect important information on other species for NCC. This is a seasonal, full-time position with a tentative start date from July 1 to August 16, 2019.

NunatuKavut means “our ancient land” and refers to the territory of Inuit who belong to south and central Labrador. NCC is a rights-based governing body that represents NunatuKavut Inuit. We are a dynamic, fast-paced and growing team that strives to meet the priorities, interests and needs of our people. Our governing vision demonstrates commitment to community and culture as we seek “to govern ourselves, providing and caring for one another, our families and our communities while nurturing our relationship with our lands and waters.” We foster an open and transparent working environment which incorporates Inuit values of caring, fairness, respect, accountability and teamwork.

Roles and Responsibilities

- Collect and preserve salmonid (and possibly cod samples) during NCC’s Communal Fishery season;
- Document information from NCC-harvested fish;
- Assist NCC Fishery Guardians with distribution of communal fishing designations in the community;
- Encourage NCC members to return and assist with the collection of Catch Logs from designates;
- Assist with other fisheries monitoring and assessment surveys;
- Actively search for capelin spawning activities (beach and deep-water spawning sites) and document these observations on the co-launched observer network Labrador Aquatic Observer Network (LAON) (public Facebook group);
- Document observations of other species of interest on LAON (i.e. Striped Bass);
- Utilize GPS systems as well as various cameras to document capelin location and activity;
- Share project information with community members and encourage public participation in LAON; and
- Document detailed information for a specific beach as outlined by the existing “Capelin Diaries” initiative, ongoing with DFO.

Skills and Qualifications

The ideal candidate should possess the following skills or competencies:

- Excellent communication and organization skills;
- Work well independently and with people;
- Be willing to work flexible hours during the fishing season;
- Experienced and comfortable in small boats; and
- Good knowledge of capelin spawning areas would be an asset.

Preference may be given to qualified members of NunatuKavut Community Council.

Completion of post-secondary education in Natural Resources or related field or an equivalent combination of training and field experience. Salary will be based on the NCC pay scale.

How to Apply

The application deadline is **4:00pm on Wednesday, June 14, 2019**. Please submit resume, cover letter (stating competition number) and three references to:

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NunatuKavut Community Council

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OR

In Person: 200 Kelland Drive, Happy Valley-Goose Bay, Labrador

Please note that only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.