

Forest Service Saskatchewan – Student Employment 2022



The Ministry of Environment ensures that its forests are sustainably managed on behalf of the people of Saskatchewan. The Ministry's Forest Service branch promotes the sustainable use of Crown forests striving for a balance of economic, social and ecological values.

Summer students are an important part of the Forest Service's ability to assess progress toward sustainable forest management. The Forest Service will again be hiring students for the summer of 2022 for field positions based in Prince Albert. Our students demonstrate the Government of Saskatchewan's commitment to ensuring workplace health and safety.

The Forest Service works in a team-based environment and the summer student program strives to provide students with the best opportunity to gain experience in our three main field programs: Industry Renewal, Operations & Compliance, Inventory/Growth & Yield. When you complete your application here: <https://govskpsc.taleo.net/careersection/10240/jobdetail.ftl?job=AG-EN2022>, on question 8, select "Forestry Technician" and be sure to upload both your cover letter and resume when applying to this posting. Please submit by **February 21, 2022**.

If you have any questions about our summer student program please contact Holly Aggas by email at holly.aggas@gov.sk.ca.

saskatchewan.ca/environment

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How To Apply

- Complete your application at this link: [Agricultural & Environmental Sciences](#) and on Question 8, select "Forestry Technician"
- *Application screening and interviews will be scheduled in late October – so apply now!!*

Summer Jobs with the Forest Service

Duties, Expectations and Experience

- Reporting to program leads, candidates are responsible for the accurate collection of field data. This can involve completing regeneration assessments, establishing forest inventory plots, remeasuring permanent sample plots, and conducting early silviculture assessments.
- Other duties can include mapping grazing areas and infrastructure, completing vegetation health assessments and helping with field inspections.
- Summer field positions include time away from your home office (Prince Albert) for up to a week at a time. Accommodations and meal allowances are provided by the Forest Service.
- It is a requirement for this role to have a valid driver's license. ATV training is considered an asset.
- Should be capable to work in adverse field and weather conditions including walking long distances over sometimes difficult terrain. Must feel comfortable to work a short distance from partner.
- As representatives of the Government of Saskatchewan summer term employees are expected to conduct themselves in a responsible manner in the office and while away working in the field.
- The Forest Service has a strong commitment to the health and safety of our summer term employees. It is expected that students comply with safety regulations, report unsafe or hazardous conditions and complete their work safely.
- The Forest Service provides an extensive safety and orientation on-boarding program at the beginning of May covering topics such as: training for ATV, driving on logging roads, helicopter travel, wildlife behaviours, working alone and program specific field work.

Specific Skills Required

- Should be familiar with use of field navigation tools (compass, GPS, paper and digital map products).
- Understand basic forest ecology, basic statistical principles, forest harvesting operations, silviculture operations and know how to identify boreal forest trees, shrubs and herbs.
- Familiar with basic GIS skills needed to produce field maps and basic office software like Word and Excel.
- The ability to work well in a team environment and communicate effectively.
- Valid First Aid training is considered an asset.