

Job Posting – Summer Student Position JUNIOR CONSERVATIONIST

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The Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA) is accepting applications for a **Junior Conservationist**. This is an **8-week summer student position (July and August)** funded by Ausable Bayfield Conservation Foundation.

The position is designed for a senior secondary school or first year college/university student to gain experience in various roles and departments within the ABCA to see if this is a career path for you. The Junior Conservationist will work with an energetic team of dedicated conservation professionals.

Qualifications

- The candidate must live within one of the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority watershed municipalities: Adelaide Metcalfe, Bluewater, Central Huron, Huron East, Lambton Shores, Lucan Biddulph, Middlesex Centre, North Middlesex, Perth South, South Huron, Warwick, West Perth
- Working towards a secondary school diploma or degree/diploma from accredited university/college
- Interest in pursuing a career in environmental resource management
- Attained secondary school courses in science and geography
- Ability to work outdoors and in adverse environmental conditions
- Knowledge of and ability to use computer with Microsoft Office, Edge, Outlook
- Team player with good organization, interpersonal, oral, and written communication skills
- Valid Ontario Driver's Licence
- Transportation to the ABCA Administration Centre, 71108 Morrison Line, 2 km east of Exeter

Duties may include working with ABCA staff to complete the following:

- Assisting the Conservation Educators with preparation and delivery of six different week-long Nature Day Camps for youth aged 5-12
- Assisting in water quality sampling and species-at-risk monitoring
- Maintenance and clean-up at conservation areas, commemorative woods, and nature trails
- Assisting in forestry and wetland evaluation field work on ABCA and private landowner properties.
- Computer data entry and spreadsheets
- Other reasonable tasks assigned by ABCA staff in various departments.

Remuneration: \$17.20 per hour (minimum wage)

Hours: 35 hours per week with possibility of some evenings and weekends

Please provide your résumé and cover letter by mail or email clearly marked Junior Conservationist by Friday, May 9, 2025 at 4 p.m. local time to: Abigail Gutteridge, Corporate Services Coordinator Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority 71108 Morrison Line, RR 3 Exeter, ON NOM 1S5 Email: agutteridge@abca.ca or info@abca.ca

Applicants will be contacted only if an interview is required. The Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority is an equal-opportunity employer, which delivers a wide array of environmental services for 12 watershed municipalities and the general public. Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities. Upon request, applicants will be notified of accessibility accommodations and assistive devices.