



Employment Opportunity: Science Education Interpreter, Terra Nova National Park

The Oceans Learning Partnership (OLP) is a non-profit organization that brings together stakeholders in ocean education to create exciting new programs for K-12 students and the public, including at our partner field site in Newman Sound, Terra Nova National Park. Through hands-on interactions and guidance from education interpreters, we seek to foster curiosity and understanding of our local coastal environment.

The mandate of Parks Canada is to protect and present nationally significant examples of Canada's natural and cultural heritage and foster public understanding, appreciation and enjoyment in ways that ensure their ecological and commemorative integrity for present and future generations. Terra Nova National Park is Canada's most easterly National Park and celebrates the wonder of the coastal environment – where the boreal forest meets the sea!

Oceans Learning Partnership are seeking to hire one (1) dynamic, enthusiastic, and knowledgeable individual to join the team and help us meet this goal of sparking interest and understanding of the local coastal environment.

Position: Science Education Interpreter

Location: Terra Nova National Park

Employment Status: One (1) full-time, seasonal position, mid-May to Late-August 2016. ***Funding dependent.**

Hours of Work: 37.5 hours per week. Weekend work will be required.

Compensation: \$12.65/hour; on-site housing provided in Parks Canada shared staff housing.

Who can apply: Applicants must be legally entitled to work in Canada in accordance with provincial legislation and regulations. As the position is funded through a number of summer student programs, applicants must be registered for a post-secondary program and returning to studies in September 2016.

Summary of Position:

Do you enjoy talking to people? Do you love the outdoors and coastal environment and want to share your knowledge with others? Are you interested in informal science education? Do you want to spend your summer living and working in beautiful Terra Nova National Park? We have an opportunity for you!

We are seeking an enthusiastic, friendly, and knowledgeable individual who can engage and educate school groups and the visiting public about the Terra Nova National Park coastal and boreal environment. Your main role would be to work with the Parks Canada and Oceans Learning Partnership team to assist with program delivery at the shoreline and inside the aquarium and touch tank facilities of the Terra Nova National Park Visitor Centre to schools and the visiting public, as well as to contribute to new program development, outreach events, social media and program evaluation.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Deliver professional and engaging interpretive education programs to school groups and the public in Terra Nova National Park.
- Interpret the natural world including the marine environment, boreal forest, touch tank, and aquarium.
- Help to ensure safety of all visitors at all times.
- Carefully use scientific equipment and/or ocean technology and demonstrate use to visitors; ensure proper care and maintenance of equipment.

- Employ proper and gentle animal handling practices, and communicate these to visitors (i.e. at the touch tank).
- Represent the two organizations (Oceans Learning Partnership and Parks Canada) at special events.
- Contribute to development of new public programming for Terra Nova National Park.
- Contribute to social media outreach.

Qualifications/Skills:

- Must have excellent interpersonal communication skills.
- Education in biological science, marine biology, zoology, education, or similar preferred.
- Experience in interpretation, leading groups of students, or similar experience (please specify in cover letter).
- Knowledge of local intertidal and subtidal marine life or willingness to learn.
- Comfortable handling and caring for marine life.
- Experience leading projects, taking initiative and meeting deadlines.
- Comfortable with a flexible schedule.
- Ability to live on-site in shared staff housing in Terra Nova National Park for May to August period.
- Must be willing to wear staff shirt and meet dress code requirements while working in the Park.
- Currently have or willing to obtain Standard First Aid certification.

Please submit your resume, cover letter and references to
Program Manager Chelsie Archibald at coastalexplorersjobs@gmail.com.

Applications must be received by 11:59pm, April 15, 2016.

An RNC code of conduct certificate will also be required. Interviews will take place in late April.

We thank all who apply, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.
