

Conservation Programs Specialist - Habitat Asset Management (HAM) Program Brandon, Manitoba (18-month term position)

The Opportunity

Ducks Unlimited Canada (DUC), a leader Canadian habitat conservation, is looking for a confident, energetic and dedicated individual to join our team as a *Conservation Programs Specialist* (CPS).

As a member of the Manitoba Habitat Asset Management Team (HAM), you will be responsible for negotiating with landowners to deliver wetland agreements associated with long term redevelopment of DUC wetland projects. You will liaise with Rural Municipalities, Watershed Authorities and Government Representatives and assist with surveying and project operations and ongoing maintenance.

You need to be an enthusiastic team player – a selfstarter who can work with anyone, is capable of seeing the bigger picture and enjoys thinking out of the box. You are an effective communicator who is able to build positive working relationships with various staff of local governments, landowners, industry and agricultural producers.

You possess strong leadership, organizational and interpersonal skills. You have expertise in project planning and execution, financial and contract management and contractor/construction supervision. You are self-motivated, enjoy a complex, changing environment and can manage numerous projects on tight deadlines.

Your minimum three years' experience directly related knowledge and academic achievements will make you the ideal candidate for this very diverse and challenging opportunity.

Requirements

- An environmental science or agricultural diploma is preferred but other diplomas in related disciplines such as environmental/civil engineering will be considered
- Strong planning, reporting and project management skills
- An understanding of local agricultural, industry and conservation practices
- Knowledge of sustainable and integrated resource management
- Experience with GPS, ArcView, MS Office, AutoCAD and airphoto interpretation
- Awareness of MB Occupational Health and Safety practices
- Knowledge of the MB Water Protection Act, Dam Safety Regulations and the approvals process
- Excellent organization, interpersonal communication skills, both oral and written
- A valid class 5 driver's license
- Practical experience with engineered water control structures, wetland and upland conservation projects, agriculture and biology would all be considered assets.
- Experience working on a farm would also be an asset.
- Ability to work long/flexible hours in summer, with possible travel

The successful candidate will have an affinity to the outdoors, conservation and the world of waterfowl.

How to Apply

Working for DUC is a career highlight for many staff. Let us know if making a difference is important to you.

Please visit our online <u>career center</u> to submit your application for confidential consideration.

Closing deadline: January 17, 2020 (EST)

Ducks Unlimited Canada (DUC) is the leader in wetland conservation. A registered charity, DUC partners with government, industry, non-profit organizations and landowners to conserve wetlands that are critical to waterfowl, wildlife and the environment. Learn more at ducks.ca.

While DUC would like to thank all applicants, only candidates considered for an interview will be contacted.

