



2019 Summer Casual Employment Yukon Geological Survey

Junior Geology Field Assistants

Yukon Geological Survey requires undergraduate students or equivalents as field assistants for the 2019 field season. The incumbent assists a YGS geologist to undertake geology mapping projects or detailed geological studies, usually from remote two-person tent fly camps. Students must be willing and able to work under strenuous and primitive conditions in mountainous terrain.

Duties typically involve both field activities (80-40%) and office-based activities (20-80%).

Field Duties:

- Helping with camp set-up and maintenance (e.g. cooking, washing dishes); traversing on foot to rock outcrops; describing rocks and soils and taking notes; looking for fossils; collecting rock and soil samples;

Office-based Duties:

- Sorting and packing food and field gear; sorting rocks; preparing rock samples for shipping; data entry of field information; making maps for internal use.

Knowledge, Abilities, Certificates

- Undergraduate student in earth sciences or related field – prior experience with a geological survey, exploration company or university is an asset;
- General knowledge of computer programs such as Word, Excel, Access and GIS software;
- A valid driver's licence is required. Preference will be given to students who have a valid first aid certificate (Standard First Aid or better) and current firearms Possession and Acquisition Licence (PAL).
- Successful candidates may be required to pass a medical exam for physical fitness (paid for by YGS).

Pay

- Starting at ~\$28 per hour, plus vacation pay of 8% of regular pay, plus overtime pay for time worked on weekends and statutory holidays.
- For out-of-Yukon students we provide:
 - Return travel to Whitehorse paid (equivalent of return air fare)
 - Accommodation at Yukon College dorm OR we pay an accommodation allowance of \$200/month.

Term - Approximately three months between late May and late August.

Deadline for submission

- March 8, 2019. We expect to notify successful applicants by early April.
- Applications – please submit via email a **single** document that includes a cover letter, resume and contact information for at least two references. Make sure to **include your name in the document name (e.g. fred_bloggs_resume.doc)**. Include in your cover letter your major geology interests, e.g. mineral deposits, petroleum geology, structural geology, stratigraphy, sedimentology, surficial geology.
- Yukon Geological Survey supports undergraduate thesis projects. If you are interested in pursuing a thesis project as part of your employment please indicate this in your cover letter.

Information requests and applications may be submitted by e-mail to:

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