

**MERSEY TOBEATIC**



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## **Job Description- 2021/2022 Science Horizons Internship Program**

**Employer:** Mersey Tobeatic Research Institute (MTRI)

**Position Title:** Priority Place Engagement Intern

**Location:** Kempt, NS

**Anticipated Duration:** 1 year

**Salary Information:** \$18/hr

**Hours of Work:** 35 hrs/wk

### **Position Summary:**

The Priority Place Engagement Intern will support MTRI in the delivery of its conservation implementation project in the southwest Nova Scotia Priority Place. In partnership with the Kespukwitk Conservation Collaborative, the project supports ecosystem-based conservation efforts and recovery of species at risk in southwest Nova Scotia. The intern will support the project coordinators by conducting data analysis and developing user-friendly and visually appealing information packages for print and online to effectively engage a variety of sectors including partner organizations, landowners, industry, municipalities, and government agencies. Duties may include, but not be limited to: design and development of websites and printed media, social media outreach, mapping, conducting data analysis, report writing, attending and helping facilitate meetings, and assisting with field-based conservation and research projects.

The position will be based at MTRI's research station in Kempt, NS. A hybrid in-office/remote work model will be considered so long as the intern is able to travel to MTRI for meetings, workshops, and other in-person requirements. Additional travel may also be required. Regular work is Monday -Friday, 35 hours per week, but some evening and weekend work may occasionally be required.

### **Roles and Responsibilities:**

The role of the Priority Place Engagement Intern is to build and support communication tools for the Kespukwitk Conservation Collaborative (KCC) and conduct data analysis for several of MTRI's projects. The intern will report to the Communications Coordinator and MTRI's Co-Directors. The intern will work closely with MTRI staff and partner organizations to:

- Collate information resources on ecosystems and species at risk in Southwest Nova Scotia to create online tools to help engage landowners and municipalities in species at risk stewardship, such as:

- Develop and populate KCC website and/or story map
- Promote the conservation work carried out by partners through other online and in-person opportunities
- Assist the Communications Co-ordinator in organizing conferences, training workshops and meetings
- Help MTRI project staff with data entry and analysis
- Ensure that project deliverables are met in a timely manner and meet budget requirements.

### **Qualifications/Skills:**

The ideal candidate will have a background in one of more of the following:

- Degree or diploma in GIS mapping and data analysis or equivalent experience
- Demonstrable or qualification/experience in graphic design, website development and/or story map development
- Degree, Diploma or experience in environmental sciences
- Knowledge of Open Standards for Conservation / Theories of Change
- Experience with social sciences or Community Based Social Marketing

Candidates should:

- Have strong communication & writing skills (including online communications)
- Be a team player with good interpersonal skills
- Have familiarity with non-profit organizations and environmental or conservation work
- Have a valid driver's license

### **Application Requirements:**

This position is funded through a grant from the Clean Foundation (in partnership with Environment and Climate Change Canada), which has the following requirements. The applicant must:

- Be between the ages of 15-30 inclusive at the start of the internship;
- Be a post-secondary graduate or will have successfully completed post-secondary studies before the internship start date;
- Be legally entitled to work in Canada;
- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or persons who have been granted refugee status in Canada
- Not be in receipt of Employment Insurance during the internship

### **Application Process:**

- If this posting is of interest to you, please apply here: <https://cleanfoundation.ca/science-horizons-intern-application/>