

Landscape Assistant

Position Details

Position Information

Position Title	Landscape Assistant
Department/Unit	Plant, Food and Envir Sciences
Location	Truro
Posting Number	S182-20
Employee Group	NSGEU Local 77
Position Type	Term
Duration of Contract (if applicable)	Ten (10) months
Employment Type	Full Time
Full-time Equivalency (FTE)	1.0
Salary	\$19.97 - \$24.35 per hour (\$36,342 - \$44,319 per annum, 35 hours per week). This is a 10 month position, so annual salary will be pro-rated to \$30,285 - \$36,933.
Classification	T5
Provisional Statement	This is a provisional classification. Formal classification procedures will be initiated by the Compensation & Job Evaluation Unit in approximately six months.

About Dalhousie University

Dalhousie University is Atlantic Canada's leading research-intensive university and a driver of the region's intellectual, social and economic development. Located in the heart of Halifax, Nova Scotia, with an Agricultural Campus in Truro/Bible Hill, Dalhousie is a truly national and international university, with more than half of our 19,000 students coming from outside of the province. Our 6,000 faculty and staff foster a vibrant, purpose-driven community, that celebrated 200 years of academic excellence in 2018.

Job Summary

The Faculty of Agriculture, Dalhousie University is a small research-intensive campus located in Truro, NS. Offering technical, undergraduate and graduate programs in agriculture, environment and related life and social science disciplines, the Faculty of Agriculture educates future leaders and generates knowledge and innovative solutions for healthy, sustainable societies. Reporting to the Department Chair, Plant, Food, & Environmental Sciences, the Landscape Assistant will work as part of a team to assist with snow removal from January to March and with greenhouse, nursery and landscaping duties from April to October.

Key Responsibilities

- Remove snow on all walkways, staircases and building entrances on campus. This includes plowing, salting/sanding, and shoveling.
- Assist with bedding plant and carpet bedding display, growing, installation, and maintenance. Campus plant mapping and label making as required.
- Complete greenhouse and nursery plant care including watering, fertilizing, weeding, pest control, propagation and seeding.

- Assist volunteer Friends of the Garden members in greenhouse work. Organize and prepare supplies for meetings, provide guidance on plant care.
- Maintain and clean machinery, ensure equipment is ready for spring.

Note

During the January to March snow removal period, this position is part of a rotating on-call schedule; Monday through Sunday including holidays. Compensation will be in accordance with the collective agreement.

Qualifications

Diploma in Horticulture or related field, or equivalent combination of training and experience. Must have demonstrated experience working in a horticultural or landscaping environment. Demonstrated attention to detail and organizational skills are required. Must be able to work both independently and as part of a team, and demonstrate solid interpersonal skills. This position has significant physical demands including shoveling, digging, lifting, bending, and kneeling for extended periods of time. The successful applicant must have the ability to work outdoors with exposure to allergens (e.g. insects) and chemicals (e.g. pesticides), and in extreme weather conditions (sun, snow, ice, wind), including during early/late hours of the day; and manually lift items up to approximately 25 kg.

Job Competencies**Additional Information**

Dalhousie University supports a healthy and balanced lifestyle. Our total compensation package includes health and dental plans, a health spending account, an employee and family assistance program and a tuition assistance program.

Application Consideration

Bargaining unit employees for NSGEU local 77 are given first consideration and will be notified regarding the status of their application. All other applicants will be considered when there is no qualified internal candidate.

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

Diversity Statement

Dalhousie University is committed to fostering a collegial culture grounded in diversity and inclusiveness. The university encourages applications from Indigenous persons, persons with a disability, racially visible persons, women, persons of a minority sexual orientation and/or gender identity, and all candidates who would contribute to the diversity of our community. For more information, please visit www.dal.ca/hiringfordiversity.

Posting Detail Information

Number of Vacancies	One
Open Date	09/11/2020
Close Date	11/23/2020
Open Until Filled	No

Special Instructions to Applicant

Quick Link for Direct Access to Posting <http://dal.peopleadmin.ca/postings/4719>

Supplemental Questions

Required fields are indicated with an asterisk (*).

Documents Needed to Apply

Required Documents

1. Résumé / Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Optional Documents

1. Cover Letter