

W̱SÁNEĆ Leadership Council - Employment Opportunity



Job Description: Knowledge Weaver – Sea Gardens Project

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Due Date: May 31, 2024, 4:00 PM

Application Details: Please send resume and cover letter to
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Job Description: *W̱SÁNEĆ Knowledge Weaver on the Sea Gardens Project with Parks Canada*

Term: *From when the candidate starts until March 31st, 2026, with a possibility of an extension depending on funding.*

Wage: *\$40,000 annually, 25 hours/week*

Background

The W̱SÁNEĆ Leadership Council (WLC) is working with Parks Canada in stewarding Clam Gardens in the Salish Sea. Clam Gardens were built and taken care of for thousands of years by our ancestors, and they need to be looked after for the benefit of future generations. Under the supervision of the **WLC and in partnership with Parks Canada staff**, the Knowledge Weaver coordinates the **W̱SÁNEĆ community's involvement in the Sea Gardens project and assists the project's restoration efforts**. WLC seeks to hire someone to focus on this work for the next two years.

Primary Purpose of the Work

To build respectful and meaningful W̱SÁNEĆ community interest and involvement in Clam Gardens restoration work in collaboration with Parks Canada.

Regular Activities

1. As culturally appropriate, gather Indigenous Knowledge related to Clam Gardens restoration.
2. Help facilitate and organize the W̱SÁNEĆ clam garden working group
3. Support events during low tides, which may sometimes be evenings and weekends
4. Assist in developing opportunities for community members to be meaningfully engaged and involved in harvesting, monitoring, and restoration at Clam Garden sites.
5. Communicate with the W̱SÁNEĆ community regarding the ongoing work of this program with a particular focus on youth and student audiences.
6. Support opportunities for intergenerational learning and sharing

Helpful Qualifications and education opportunities may be available upon request.

- Ability to draw from *W̱SÁNEĆ laws, knowledge and ways of knowing to inform the work*

- Understanding of the Clam Creation story and knowledge of some SENĆOŦEN
- Experience with W̱SÁNEĆ community organizing
- The ability for self-motivation: The individual will often be working independently.
- Ability to summarize and present information to an audience
- Ability to offer helpful advice and feedback
- Experience working with First Nations and Canadian governments is an asset
- Willingness to get a criminal record check for working with youth