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**The Edmonton Space & Science Foundation
Indigenous Cultural Helper
Temporary Full-Time
(June 2, 2022 to September 5, 2022)**

The TELUS World of Science – Edmonton’s (TWOSE) mission is to: Ignite curiosity. Inspire discovery. Celebrate science. Change lives. Located in Treaty Six Territory, we are the destination to engage Albertans’ hearts and minds in science.

TWOSE is committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion. We encourage Indigenous peoples, persons living with disability, sexual and gender minorities, women and members of all minority groups to apply. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply.

TELUS World of Science – Edmonton is located in Alberta's capital city in Coronation Park district. located near by bus routes, shopping and major access roads. Working with the Edmonton Space & Science Foundation provides access to one of the top-rated attractions in the City and one of the largest space and science centres within Canada. The summer program offerings enhance Edmonton's already well-developed role as a multicultural and festive centre.

POSITION SUMMARY:

Under the direction of the Director of Indigenous Education, and through the TELUS World of Science - Edmonton Indigenous Education Program, the Indigenous Cultural Helper will assist in delivering TWOSE’s summer Indigenous cultural programming and create meaningful connections for guests between Indigenous ways of knowing and related science themes or messages. This culturally relevant content may include teaching about Indigenous engineering, traditional medicines, how to be good stewards of the land, among other activities which see Indigenous ways of knowing to find equity and prominence aside western science.

The Indigenous Cultural Helper possesses thorough knowledge of Indigenous ways of knowing and how they relate to contemporary science and will use this knowledge to engage guests of all ages in Indigenous cultural teachings and related science topics. This individual must approach their work with a feeling of excitement, curiosity, and wonder.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Indigenous Cultural Helper will be responsible for the following:

- Assisting the Land-Based Learning Navigator in planning and delivering a total of 8 weeks of summer science programming with Indigenous content and teachings based on established parameters, themes, and learning criteria. Programming may be delivered in-person or online.

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- Working with community partners and participating in organizing cultural events.
- Assisting the site-based Elder, Land-Based Learning Navigator, or Indigenous Education Specialist in executing all cultural events at TWOSE, including tipi setup and other teachings.
- Coordinating and preparing materials required for the site-based Elder and Land-Based Learning Navigator for in-person or virtual sessions.
- Providing superior customer service for all programs and responding to all guest inquiries about TELUS World of Science – Edmonton.
- Being responsible for the care and safe use of activity materials and exhibit spaces. Ensuring program components are set up and all areas are cleaned appropriately. Encouraging and modelling appropriate professional behaviour for all participants. Dealing effectively with those participants displaying disruptive behaviours, disrespecting medicines, etc. as per Edmonton Space & Science Foundation policies and procedures.
- Maintaining a safe, clean, and inviting environment for participants and guests. Reporting immediately any safety concerns as per Edmonton Space & Science Foundation policies and procedures.
- Providing input into the daily and weekly plans of Indigenous cultural activities, maintaining statistics, records and data on program area such as participant numbers, material usage and supplies inventory. Preparing an end-of-summer report that outlines what happened over the summer and how cultural programming can be improved in the future.
- Perform related work as required.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Knowledge and Abilities:

- Knowledge and lived experience of Indigenous culture, ceremonies, and protocols.
- A good general understanding of the sciences and Indigenous ways of knowing.
- Ability to lead, organize, and supervise group activities in accordance with designated in-person or virtual program objectives.
- Ability to work independently and in a collaborative team environment, with an outgoing personality and the desire to share, collaborate, create, and experiment with others.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, with the ability to adapt quickly and with willingness to learn new skills.
- Willingness to travel for medicine picking and off-site cultural teachings.

Education/Experience:

- High School Diploma supplemented by post-secondary education in Native Studies, Education, Science Communication, or a similar field is considered an asset. Combination of education and lived experience will be considered as well.
- 1-2 years' experience in a customer service role. Experience working with the general public in an interpretive/education setting is an asset.



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- Preference will be given to individuals who qualify for funding through Young Canada Works.

Note: A clean Police Information Check including the vulnerable sector is a condition of employment for successful candidates. The check must be completed prior to commencement of work and is the financial responsibility of the candidate. The successful candidate will need to meet the conditions of TELUS World of Science - Edmonton's Mandatory Vaccination and Disclosure policy.

COVID-19 Notice: TELUS World of Science - Edmonton has implemented a COVID-19 Vaccination Policy. Employees must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and provide proof of vaccination. Please note that this policy applies to all employees, including new hires, and volunteers. If your application is successful, you will be asked to provide proof of vaccination or request an exemption.

Wages: PT140: \$17.82 to \$22.09 per hour as per the 2017-2022 Collective Agreement.

Hours of Work: Up to 37.5 hours per week. Flexible schedule required – must be available weekdays, weekends, evenings, and holidays as required.

Opening Date: May 6, 2022

Closing Date: May 13, 2022 or until suitable candidate found.

How to Apply: hr@twose.ca

Please include cover letter and resume in one document. We thank all applicants and advise that only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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