

Summer Job Opportunities at Open Doors, Burlington

Open Doors at St. Christopher's is a non-profit organization which operates a food bank, community meals, garden, free clothing store, and programs for kids throughout the summer. It primarily serves the area's lower income community, but encourages people from all walks of life to come together for mutual support and learning. Three university or college students are needed to assist with summer programming in the areas of children's programming, healthy food, and community arts. Each of these positions requires working closely with others in a team environment. Applicants should demonstrate an aptitude for leadership, teamwork, organizational skills, and self-motivation.

Child and Youth Animator

The foremost responsibility of the Child and Youth Animator is to provide summer programming for Burlington children with a particular focus on kids who come from lower income or newcomer homes and those who face barriers such as learning disabilities. He or she will assist with planning summer drop-ins and a day camp. The student will assist with our monthly program for kids with special needs and plan a neighbourhood fun fair for the end of June. This student will also prioritize working with volunteers, most of whom are seniors. The position is ideal for someone studying psychology, child development, intercultural studies, sociology, occupational therapy, or a related field.

Food and Nutrition Animator

The Food and Nutrition Animator will assist at the food bank over the summer and organize the sale of fresh produce through the pop-up market on Tuesdays. He or she will plan nutritional snacks for kids' programs, including the day camp, and assist with the execution of the day camp program for one week of the summer. This student will assist with the execution and serving of community meals on Tuesday evenings and Thursday mornings, and supervise the maintenance of the community garden. He or she will also have the opportunity to implement his or her own learning goals in relation to health education, urban agriculture, and community engagement. This position is ideal for someone studying health, agriculture, community development, nutrition, or a related field.

Community Arts Animator

The Community Arts Animator will assist the art therapist with the weekly art hive and art drop-ins, as well as coordinating family arts workshops throughout the summer. The week-long day camp will be a priority for the student, who will assist children in learning about the natural world by planning crafts and activities which engage with nature. This student will assist with organizing a neighbourhood fun fair at the end of June. His or her own learning goals for the arts and community engagement may also be integrated into the summer work plan. Opportunities may also be available to work with the children's music, theatre, or dance programs, or in the Open Doors respite program for kids with special needs, depending on his or her own interests. This position is ideal for someone studying fine arts, community development, art therapy, or a related subject.

Students will be paid \$14/hour for 40 hours/week. The children and food positions will begin on May 22, 2018, and the arts position will begin June 4. **The application deadline is May 4.** Please submit your resume and cover letter, including which position you wish to apply for, to:

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* Open Doors at St. Christopher's is committed to equitable employment opportunities. Those applicants who identify as Indigenous, LGBTQ, a person of colour, new to Canada, or differently abled are encouraged to share this in their cover letters. Please note that only students in university or college are eligible for these positions. Job opportunities are available pending funding approval. Upon being offered the job, all employees will be required to submit a vulnerable sector police records check.