2020/2021 WORK STUDY PROGRAM

JOB POSTING

JOB TITLE: READ1 – Animal Care Support Worker

EMPLOYEE GROUP: CUPE

DEPARTMENT NAME: READ – Research Services

CONTACT NAME: Karin Johnston

JOB DESCRIPTION:

Animal Care Services (ACS) provides an opportunity for a work study student to work with both aquatic and mammalian species in our animal care facilities. This would be great experience for students hoping to specialize in medical sciences, veterinary sciences or biology/biochemistry research.

Mammalian Unit

• Work in a research animal unit with mice, rats & rabbits
• Complete daily support work associated with husbandry of mice, rats and rabbits
• Maintain biosecurity through sterilization and sanitation procedures
• Clean and prepare cages and accessories using specialized equipment
• Perform preventative maintenance of equipment
• Create and review Standard Operating Procedures

Aquatic Unit

• Complete support work associated with feeding fish and invertebrates
• Assist in cleaning aquaria
• General cleaning of related equipment and supplies
• Willing to work outside under all weather conditions
• General support of regular ACS staff as required

QUALIFICATIONS:

• Preference for individuals that have prior work experience in an animal unit, Vet clinic, hatchery or similar position.
• Must be able to follow strict SOPs (Standard Operating Procedures) and wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Requires a clean shaven face.
• Have the ability to work outside.
• Includes physical duties, must be able to lift 25 kg food and bedding bags and withstand repetitive movements.
• Must be able to work independently as well as in a team environment.

Note: Must not have any animal or dust allergies.
JOB LOCATION ON-CAMPUS: Various locations on campus

WORK STUDY WAGE: $15.50/hour (including 4% vacation pay)

HOURS AVAILABLE: 120

HOW TO APPLY: Cover letter and resume to:

Karin Johnston

Via email to animalethics@uvic.ca