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## Job Description

**Job Title:** Archaeological Field Technician  
**Program:** Office of the Council of Chiefs  
**Unit:** **Office of the Council of Chiefs (OCC)**  
**Date:** July 2018 (4 weeks)  
**Immediate supervisor:** **Dwaine White General Manager of Operations, OCC**

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The position requires a high school student, grade 10 or 11, who is interested in learning and participating in archaeological digging. This job takes skill and patience. The student would be under the supervision of the General Manager of Operations, OCC. The goal is to get a student involved and major in this field. Excavation will take place for four (4) weeks from July 3th- 28th, 2017.

OR

The position requires a CEGEP or University student, who is interested in learning and participating in archaeological digging. This job takes skill and patience. There is a void within Kahnawá:ke in this area of expertise. The goal is for this project to be ongoing for five (5) summers. This student would be under the supervision of the General Manager of Operations, OCC. The incumbent is responsible to train and assist in the general duties pertaining to archaeological surveys and excavations.

Because this is a field school and not strictly a research project, the main objective is not to excavate the maximum amount of square metres but rather to train students in the basic methods of scientific archaeology. This means that this opportunity will provide a slow and methodical pace and that there will be few square metres excavated within the month of July. Students will be paired up and work in teams of two on one unit at a time. A unit is 1m x 1m. Students will take their time to excavate and may be able to start a second unit depending on what they find (number of artifacts and complexity of structures like walls). We will also carry out some limited test pitting in three areas in order to train the students in this type of excavation. This is primarily exploratory and may discover both historic French Regime and pre-contact First Nations occupations. These test pits also are

meant to help students understand the geology of the island and how this influences the archaeological sites.

**To perform field work**

Participate in tasks associated with archeology and archaeological digs:

- Subsurface testing (shovel tests and test units), sample collection, screening matrix, artifact recovery, completing site paperwork and field-related activities;

**Interpersonal Relationship**

- Works closely with Crew Supervisor and other Crew Members to complete all field tasks required;

**Teamwork**

- Attends Crew meetings as required;
- Ability to work as part of a team is essential;
- Performance/actions of the position is reflective of the work area;
- Knowledge of history of Mohawks and Haudenosaunee is an asset.

**Accountability**

- To ensure a safe working environment for staff;
- To fulfill the responsibilities in a manner consistent with the terms and conditions of the Summer Student Policy.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

**No Education and Experience required (learning)**

- Individual must be patient and be willing to learn the skills, strong ability to work in team situations.

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**IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR**

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