



2026 Summer student intern employment opportunities

Organization: Atlantic Wildlife Institute

Positions:

- ✔ Wildlife Care Assistants
- ✔ Environmental Education-camp assistants

Application deadline: ongoing, reviewed as received and until all positions are filled, usually by mid April

Start/end dates: mid May to end of August

Duration: 8 - 12 - 14 weeks depending on funding source and student availability

Wages: \$17-\$18/hr, 35 hours per week including 4% vac pay, subject to funding availability

Position description:

The Summer intern will be working with either AWI's Wildlife Health Coordinator or Outdoor Educator. This is a dual opportunity to gain experience in either our wildlife care program or summer nature camps.

Regarding animal care, this is a hands-on opportunity to work with the care of numerous species of native wildlife (avian, mammal and reptile) that are displaced due to injury, illness or separation/removal from a parent. This is a physically and mentally demanding position but extremely rewarding. Those interested in wildlife biology, veterinary medicine, conservation and environmental studies will benefit from this experience.

Our summer education programs are nature-based, outdoor learning experiences for youth in grades kindergarten through grade eight. If chosen to work with the education team, you will be responsible for camp prep on site, creating and delivering interactive and daily activities for youth. Summer camp runs for 5+ weeks daily at AWI. You will also assist in forest trail, garden and site maintenance and potential bio-inventory data collection. This is a great opportunity for students interested in environmental studies, outdoor education, active living, forest school and wilderness skills.

Job tasks and responsibilities

Wildlife Care Team:

Daily care of wildlife patients
Providing hands on feeding for infant and young orphans
Providing necessary food and water requirements for adult patients
Correctly formulating species appropriate diets for both young and adult animals
Measurements, weights of animals as needed
Maintenance and enrichment of habitats for wildlife, site maintenance
Data entry of wildlife patients

Education Team:

Working with children daily in camp-based activities during summer camp, providing nature-based learning opportunities on site.
Site prep for summer activities
Bio-inventory of site flora and fauna
Forest trails and learning centre maintenance
Vegetable and fruit garden preparation, maintenance and harvesting, including greenhouse work
Potential of assisting with research opportunities – bird nest monitoring and/or banding

Qualifications:

Students in post-secondary studies or graduating high school and returning to full time studies in the fall.
Students studying or interested in any of the following fields: wildlife biology, veterinary medicine, conservation, environmental studies, outdoor education, ecology, geography and the arts.
Driver license and must have transportation to and from site.
Ability to provide police background check including vulnerable sector.
Takes instructions well, work well with others and as an individual
Availability to work potential weekends, holidays and/or evening shifts
Experience or willingness to work with youth during summer camp activities.
Familiar with nature-based programming, wilderness skills, bushcraft, environmental studies.
Able to lift up to 50 lbs (23 kgs)
Current Tetanus shots
Current First Aid certification
Able to work in all weather conditions (heat, humidity, rain, etc.)
Full disclosure on potential allergies and sensitivities (environmental, food)
Familiarity with animal handling, regional wildlife species, identifications, natural history an asset
Current Rabies shot or titer check is an asset (pertains only to a wildlife assistant position.)

About AWI:

Atlantic Wildlife Institute is dedicated to the rescue and rehabilitation of wildlife that has been displaced as a result of human encroachment on natural ecosystems. AWI is a private, registered charitable organization created in 1996, and the only facility of its kind in NB. Our wildlife work, licensed and permitted through the NB Dept. of Natural Resources, Canadian Wildlife Service and Environment and Climate Change Canada, allows us to contribute both to scientific knowledge on the causes and effects of environmental stress and to public awareness of the essential link between ecosystem health and human well-being.

Our services include the care of injured, ill and displaced wildlife with the goal of returning them to their natural habitats as wild and healthy animals. Testing is arranged for those animals that do not survive the rehabilitation process in order to learn more about the causes of disease. Data collected contributes to regional and national wildlife health databases.

As well, AWI creates and delivers environmental educational programs to the community by offering camps, workshops, and specially designed programs to youth and adults. These can include wilderness skills, wild edible and survival skills, animal tracking, wildlife ID and creative arts programs.

How to apply:

Please send your **resume and cover letter** in **ONE pdf file** to info@atlanticwildlife.ca with “**Summer Intern Employment Application 2026**” in the subject line of your email.

We appreciate you submitting your application for our review, however only those being selected for an interview will be contacted. We will post on our social media (facebook, Instagram) when all positions have been filled.

Thank you for your interest in AWI, and we look forward to reviewing all the applications!

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