

Job ID: #GEN-24-02
Job Title: Agriculture Technician
Department: Lakehead University Agriculture and Research Station (LUARS)
Campus: Thunder Bay, ON
Status: Full Time, Contract (8 months with possibility of renewal)
April to November 2024
Job Category: Research

Date Posted: January 19, 2024
Closing Date: February 16, 2024

Why Lakehead University?

Thunder Bay is one of Canada's top emerging cities. Here you will find a mix of modern city living and the best of nature – all on your doorstep. Thunder Bay provides small city affordability, big city opportunities and the bonus of a superior lifestyle. When it comes to location, nature and cost of living, Thunder Bay is one of the best places to live in Canada. For more on the vibrant city of Thunder Bay, visit thunderbay.ca.

At Lakehead University we challenge the conventional to provide a university experience that's far from ordinary. Your unique ideas will be respected and encouraged. Join our thriving academic community where you can make a real difference through innovation and collaboration.

Lakehead is a comprehensive University with a reputation for innovative programs and cutting-edge research. In 2022, for the third year in a row, Lakehead University was included in the top 100 of the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings. Lakehead is the highest ranked university in the world with under 10,000 students. Maclean's has once again included Lakehead University among Canada's top 10 primarily undergraduate universities in the magazine's 2023 University Rankings.

About this Job

The Lakehead University Agricultural Research Station (LUARS) is seeking a contract Agricultural Technician to join their team. The duties include but are not limited to:

Establish, maintain, and harvest agricultural research plots including the following main tasks:

- Land preparation using disks, rototillers and cultivators with tractors;
- Calculating and weighing fertilizers at different rates of nutrients application and fertilizers application with tractor and manually;
- Weighing seeds and Seeding with a seed drill;
- Trimming plots with hand operated and tractor operated rototiller;
- Harvesting crops with sickles, Suzie Binder and Forage Harvester;
- Threshing grain and seed crops with a thresher;
- Grain cleaning and recording grain observations such as 1000 K weight, Hectoliter weight;
- Collecting, drying and shipping samples.

Employment Opportunity

Qualifications

The ideal candidate will have a Diploma in agricultural sciences, or a High School graduate with a minimum of two to three years of relevant experience. Farming background is preferred. Skills required include completion of the Grower Pesticide Safety Course, First Aid and CPR certificates, valid Ontario Class G driver's license and WHMIS. Computer knowledge including Windows would be an asset. Candidates must be legally entitled to work in Canada. Remuneration will be commensurate to relevant experience plus benefits. The contract is renewable during next year(s) for 8 months (April to November) every year depending upon employee performance and funds availability

What do We Offer?

This position offers a competitive remuneration package including salary, comprehensive benefits package, life insurance, pension plan, and tuition waiver depending on length of contract.

How to Apply

Interested applicants may apply by clicking on this link to [this Google Form](#) and attaching your cover letter and resume in word or PDF format.

If you are experiencing any issues with the Google Form, please email careers@lakeheadu.ca for assistance.

We appreciate your interest; however, only those selected for an interview will be notified. Lakehead University is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive environment and welcomes applications from all qualified individuals including women, racialized persons, Indigenous people, persons with disabilities and other equity-seeking groups. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. This is in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements.

Lakehead University is committed to supporting an accessible environment. Applicants requiring accommodation during the interview process should contact the Office of Human Resources at (807) 343.8010 ext. 8334 or human.resources@lakeheadu.ca to make appropriate arrangements.