

Ontario's Niagara Parks

PRESERVING a rich heritage, **CONSERVING** natural wonders, **INSPIRING** people, worldwide!

The Niagara Parks Commission is one of the largest employers in the Niagara Region, with over 1,600 full time and seasonal employees! Our team is comprised of energetic and friendly staff who provide our visitors from around the world with exceptional quality service. Our professional and dynamic team thrive in a fast-paced environment and enjoy working with people.

We are always looking for enthusiastic individuals who share our mission of preserving the nature and heritage of the Niagara River corridor and who are interested in growing their career with a company dedicated to conserving Niagara's natural wonders and inspiring people world-wide.

CURATOR & INSTRUCTOR (INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT)

Reporting to the Assistant Superintendent, School of Horticulture, and within established policies, procedures and guidelines, curates the selected garden areas within the Niagara Parks Botanical Gardens. In conjunction with the Botanical Gardens Manager, ensures specimens are maintained according to policy; monitors and oversees instructional aspects of maintenance of selected plant specimens and landscapes. Teaches and evaluates full-time students in horticulture skills and techniques; oversees parks staff, co-op students, interns, and volunteers. Under the general direction of the Assistant Superintendent, teaches and evaluates students in academic courses and assists the development of curriculum and policy for the school.

Qualifications:

Completion of a Bachelor of Science Degree or a (3) year Horticultural diploma and relevant botanical gardens and/or horticultural industry experience. Knowledge of instructional education techniques. Five years of related botanical gardens or horticultural industry experience, plus three year teaching experience. Knowledge of Integrated Pest Management Programs and instructional techniques. Extensive knowledge of industrial and horticultural safety practices and the Occupational Health & Safety Act. Valid Standard First Aid and CPR certificates. Extensive working knowledge of ornamental plant culture and maintenance, valid Landscape Exterminators Licence. Additional certifications in education and related horticultural trades are also an asset. Demonstrated experience in selection, knowledge and use of herbaceous and woody plants. Knowledge of and experience in developing and delivering Integrated Pest Management programs and the ability to guide plant pest and disease diagnosis and plant pathology. Knowledge and experience in landscaping techniques, design principles and an ability to approach garden development creatively. Ability to strategically plan, organize and direct the work of students, co-ops, parks staff, interns and volunteers. Organizational skills with the ability to communicate effectively with students, staff and horticultural industry professionals. Position takes hands on approach to actively instruct students within the Botanical Gardens and School of Horticulture. A successful Police Information Check is required for the selected candidate.

Niagara Parks offers a wage range of \$26.94 to \$30.29 per hour as well as a comprehensive benefit and pension plan.

To apply for this position, please create a profile and submit a resume through our Career Portal by following the link: <http://corporate.niagaraparks.com/employment/>. Applications for this position will be accepted until **February 25, 2016**.

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