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Our mission is “With Christianity as our foundation, we extend love to all God’s children through a camping experience in a special setting.”

## COUNSELLOR IN TRAINING – 2022

### Volunteer position

Sherbrooke Lake Camp is located on a beautiful 1000ft natural beach in Lunenburg County, Nova Scotia. Sherbrooke Lake is seeking Counsellors in Training for summer 2022! We are an overnight summer youth camp in Franey Corner, NS and are owned and operated by the United Church of Canada. Our mission is to provide a natural environment where youth, under the guidance of positive role models, take part in a personal growth and Christian experience that emphasizes community building, positive social interactions, environmental awareness, skill building, and fun.

Counsellors in Training (CITs) are part of the on the ground team set out within the guidelines of Sherbrooke Lake Camp’s mission statement and policies. We are seeking folks who are interested in being a part of our reimagined, robust CIT program. We are looking for people who are aged 15 and 16 years by July, 4th 2022; who are motivated, dedicated, and will put the wellbeing of campers first!

It’s a program that not only has youth come and train not only to be future counsellors but to be leaders as well! The training includes topics and hands-on skills like resume building, cover letters, peer mediation, and conflict resolution, on top of how to be a counsellor at camp. CIT’s will learn and collaborate with the counsellors, Assistant Director, and Summer Camp Director. The CIT program is run by the 2022 Assistant Director, Meagan MacPherson.

**Location:** Sherbrooke Lake United Church Camp, New Ross, NS

**Cost:** \$75.00 once selected as a CIT. If cost is a barrier, please do not hesitate to contact our Operational Director, Jules Lawrence at [opsdirector@sherbrookelakecamp.org](mailto:opsdirector@sherbrookelakecamp.org) to discuss options.

**Application Due Date - EXTENSION:** Sunday, April 17th, 2022 at 1159pm

**Interview Date:** Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 2022 at Sherbrooke Lake Camp

#### Position responsibilities:

- Responsible for the well-being, safety of campers 24/7;
- Act as a leader and role model to campers;
- Provide a safe and inclusive space for all;
- Provide support and guidance for campers’ personal growth, self-confidence, participation, interactions and overall camp experience;
- Greet and assist all campers and families on welcome day and last day;
- Maintain communication with first aider and summer camp director regarding all incidents and injuries;
- Actively participate in all daily activities at camp including, but not limited to: rotation, duties, games/crafts, meals, vespers, camp fire, out trips, and free swim.

**Required Training and Team Building Dates, including but not limited to:**

- **Saturday, May 7th:** Camp Clean Up & Interviews - Sherbrooke Lake Camp, Franey Corner, NS
- **June 30th - July 2nd 2022: Staff & CIT Training** - Sherbrooke Lake Camp, Franey Corner, NS
- Once the training program is complete each CIT will be scheduled for one week to be a CIT at camp. Additional weeks will be granted at the discretion of the Assistant Director and Summer Camp Director.

**Qualifications:**

- Must be at least 15 years of age as of July, 4th 2022.
- Youth residential camping and administrative experience is considered an asset.
- Demonstrate ability to be flexible, enthusiastic, outgoing, and exercise patience and self-control.
- Demonstrate ability to conduct oneself in a professional and mature manner in all situations.
- Demonstrate ability to communicate and collaborate with different ages and skill levels.
- Demonstrate integrity and adaptability.
- Current CPR and First Aid certifications will be an asset.
- If successful in being selected for the program, all background checks including Child Abuse Registry and Police/RCMP Records Check.

**Application:**

**Please submit the following to [assistantdirector@sherbrookelakecamp.org](mailto:assistantdirector@sherbrookelakecamp.org) by Sunday, April 17th 2022.**

1. A complete cover letter
2. A complete resume with at least two references
  - In your cover letter please answer the following three questions:
    - Describe why you are interested in being a CIT at Sherbrooke Lake Camp.
    - What hobbies, special interests or talents do you have that you think might be useful at camp?
    - Why are you the best person for the job?

**Please do not hesitate to reach out to Meagan [assistantdirector@sherbrookelakecamp.org](mailto:assistantdirector@sherbrookelakecamp.org) if you have any questions about the CIT program.**

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