

The Youth Project Education Coordinator

The Youth Project is a youth driven, non-profit charitable organization dedicated to providing support and services to youth around issues of sexual orientation and gender identity. Education is one of the key activities we undertake in working towards our mission to make Nova Scotia a safer, healthier, and happier place for LGBTQ2+ youth.

As part of an expansion of our education work, we are currently seeking a passionate and committed individual to take on a leadership role in the position of Education Coordinator. Based in Halifax, this is a permanent full time position (35 hours per week). Salary range is \$18-\$24 per hour depending on experience.

The ideal candidate will be a thought leader, able to have complex and nuanced discussions around gender and sexuality, understand the issues faced by LGBTQ2+ youth and have a deep understanding of social justice issues. They are able to apply this knowledge in a way that is open and welcoming, and understand the need to create safer and affirming environments.

Job Requirements:

- Degree in a relevant field, included but not limited to education, social work, gender & women's studies, health etc.
- Must value and utilize non-judgmental, non-confrontational participant centered learning.
- A strong understanding of LGBTQ2+ terminology and key issues related to the community.
- An understanding of homophobia, transphobia and heterosexism as well as racism, sexism, classism, ageism, ableism and other forms of oppression and how they interact and affect the lives of young people.
- An engaging presenter, relatable to the youth we serve, with excellent communication skills and experience in workshop facilitation and public speaking.
- Comfortable interacting with school staff and senior administrators to demonstrate the importance of the work we do and promote the services of the Youth Project.
- Strong organizational and coordination skills
- Ability to work as part of a team.
- Must be willing to work flexible hours (may include some evenings and weekends)
- Must be willing to travel and hold a valid driver's license. Access to a reliable vehicle strongly preferred.

The following would be considered an asset:

- Knowledge of or experience with Nova Scotia's education system.
- Fluency in English is required, fluency in additional languages would be an asset.
- Experience in resource development

Duties:

- Coordinate the Education activities of the Youth Project for both school and professional development workshops.
- Promote the Youth Project educational services, including targeting specific areas of need.
- Arrange and schedule workshops, and assign workshops to education staff.
- Personally present/facilitate workshops in schools and in professional development sessions.
- Track educational outcomes and evaluate the effectiveness of the education program. Assist in reporting to funding organizations.
- Create and/or update resource materials for use in schools.
- Work with other staff and youth to review and update our educational workshops on sexual orientation, gender identity, homophobia and transphobia for schools and community organizations, tailored to specific audiences.
- As part of a small team environment there will be opportunities and expectations to actively participate in many Youth Project activities, working directly with youth, such as summer camps, youth board retreat, pride activities and others.

As an organization serving youth dealing with issues of sexual orientation and gender identity, the Youth Project recognizes and values lived experiences of oppression and discrimination. If you are Black, Indigenous, a person of colour, a member of the LGBTQ2+ community, and/or a member of other groups facing discrimination, we welcome you to include this in your application.

To apply please send a cover letter and resume to the attention of Kate Shewan, Executive Director, via e-mail at jobs@youthproject.ns.ca Application deadline is Monday September 10th, 2018. Confidentiality is assured.