Brock University

Summer Camp Coordinator

Department: Brock Sports & Recreation

Pay Rate: \$17.55/hour

Contract Dates: Mandatory Training in April TBD & Weekdays June 24th to August 30th, 2024

Job Description

During July and August, Brock's Youth University and Sports School offers on-campus day camps to over 350 youth in grades 1 to 8 each week. Our innovative camps are divided into themes and carefully created to inspire every child. Every week includes exciting discovery sessions, adventurous recreation, and traditional camp activities such as swim. You are encouraged to learn more about what we do at brocku.ca/kids. Summer camp head instructors are responsible for supporting the facilitation of a high quality, engaging, and educational programming primarily in one specific program steam (e.g. Sports School Head Instructor). They will be supporting instructors in curriculum planning, scheduling, training, purchasing, risk management, and camper mentorship. Working under the direct supervision of the Camp Manager, the head instructors require a solid practical background in their area to best support the camper's learning and instructor's development. Head instructors work directly with the several staff assigned to their stream to run a safe, developmentally appropriate and innovative camp curriculum for up to 100 youth in grades 1 to 12. While they share the same overall responsibilities as the camp instructors, they are held to a higher standard and are typically performing tasks which make the overall program possible.

Job Duties and Responsibilities

- determine the campus space and material requirements for the program and coordinate the use of rooms, gyms, computer labs, and field spaces in connection with camp coordinators •
- role model for instructing staff the best example of desired behaviour, such as making the most of down-time with participants, finding the answers to questions, tracking all incidents, leading activities in an intriguing way, or facilitating quality program modules
- Provide frequent, actionable, specific, and timely feedback to team members in a positive and growth-oriented way
- Represent Brock University as an ambassador to the program and provide excellent customer service to program guests through careful planning of programs and problem solving issues as they arise
- Provide some training to instructing staff on content delivery, expertise related to working with youth, departmental protocols and Brock policies
- Work toward a high quality program by making recommendations, highlighting recurring problems, identifying and addressing weaknesses, and generally observing areas for improvement
- Support staff members in their work with all youth, helping them to make accommodations as needed
- Ensure staff members are prepared to facilitate the program: they know where they are going, what they are doing, and you know they have the resources and supplies to do it
- create a positive rapport with all campers, the Brock community and families be fun, approachable, and participate fully in all aspects of the program
- be aware of and make accommodations for camper needs (medical, dietary, behaviour)
- create a positive and fun environment by leading games, songs, and other activities during transitions, snacks/meals, drop off/pick up periods, recreation, & swim time competently implement lesson plans in one or more of our camp streams

- Use provided equipment and teaching space responsibly
- attend training sessions and weekly meetings be knowledgeable in the facilitation of all program modules
- prevent, respond to, and document incidents; report immediately to camp director

Qualifications

- completed at least two years of post-secondary study
- experience and/or desire to work with children and youth in an academic camp setting
- excellent people skills and a friendly, responsible, service-oriented attitude
- effective communication and teamwork abilities
- a mature attitude that will enable effective peer leadership
- ability to prioritize tasks and independently manage time effectively
- interest in and willingness to learn new technical skills, develop personal soft skills, and concepts in science, technology, and outdoor education
- able to problem solve effectively and adapt to the changes typical of a camp day
- obtained First Aid/CPR Level C and a vulnerable sector police clearance prior to their first day of work
- successfully completed all Brock University and Youth University training prior to work (e.g. AODA, WHMIS, content specific, challenge course, risk management)

Expectations of a Student Staff

We are looking for confident, enthusiastic, and professional ambassadors to Brock University and post-secondary life. We do not require candidates to be experts in all topics, but rather we look for candidates with a contagious passion for learning and having fun with kids. We can train you in the specifics if you have the desire to learn! You will also be required to read, research, watch videos, and/or practice, to learn content independently.

- candidates should be prepared for lots of walking, moderate lifting (e.g. moving chairs, carrying supplies) and working long days in a camp setting
- Ensure camps run in efficiently and supporting instructor in delivering meaningful programming
- All Brock employees are required to complete online mandatory training to comply with related safety legislation
- All Brock employees are required to comply with Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA). To help meet our legal obligations under FIPPA, employees are required to complete mandatory online training.

Our Commitment

Brock University is actively committed to diversity and the principles of Employment Equity and invites applications from all qualified candidates. Women, Indigenous peoples, members of visible minorities, and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply. We will accommodate the needs of the applicants and the Ontario Human Rights Code and the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) throughout all stages of the selection process, as outlined in the Employee Accommodation Policy. https://brocku.ca/webfm_send/39939

Please advise Wesley Spatazzo, <u>wspatazzo@brocku.ca</u> to ensure your accessibility needs are accommodated through this process. Information received relating to accommodation measures will be addressed confidentially.

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Health and Safety

All Brock employees are required to complete online mandatory training to comply with related safety legislation.

Workplace Violence Training

All Brock employees are required to complete online mandatory training to comply with related legislation. Training to be completed on Brock's Sakai site.