



**SUMMER EMPLOYMENT
SUMMER AGRICULTURAL ASSISTANTS
1 POSITION (FIELD VEGETABLES)**

Location: Office of Research, Ontario Crops Research Centre - Bradford
(Muck Crops Research Station) in the
Holland Marsh area (Highways 9 & 400)

Project Objective: To provide student(s) with skills and experience in field research and vegetable crop production through participation in horticultural research projects on muck vegetable crops by providing manual and semi technical support to vegetable research programs.

Job Description: Duties include seeding (5%), transplanting (10%), weeding (40%), plot set up (5%), harvesting (10%), evaluation of research samples (5%), recording data (10%), doing calculations (5%) and data entry on computer (10%). Students will develop general horticultural skills, understanding and learning of plant husbandry techniques associated with growing muck soil vegetable crops. They will also develop an understanding of principals of horticultural production and experimental procedures.

The Ontario Crops Research Centre - Bradford is located in the Holland Marsh, (beside the 400 highway) which is approximately 1 hour north of Toronto. The main vegetable crops of the Holland Marsh are onions, carrots, celery, lettuce and oriental vegetables. The stations primary focus of research is on crop protection, bio control and management practices on crops grown on Muck soils. A secondary focus is on field Variety Trials and Storage Trials on onions and carrots.

Qualifications: A genuine interest in horticultural crop production is desirable. Must enjoy working with people. Knowledge of farming methods would be an asset but not a necessity. This is excellent experience for anyone planning to pursue a career in agriculture or specifically in vegetable production, including research, crop advisory work, pest management and crop protection. The job would also be of interest to students who enjoy working outdoors, and those interested in biology, soil science or any of the natural sciences.

Student status (student must fall within one of the four following categories):

- student must be resident of Ontario on first day of employment
- student must be legally entitled to work in Canada
- student must be 15-24 years of age (up to 29 with disability) on first day of employment
- student must be a student (currently enrolled, returning in Sept. 2023, on academic break or graduated within 6 months of first day of employment)

Dates: May 1 to September 1, 2023

Wages: Salary (minimum 15.50/hour)
40 hours/week

Apply: Submit a resume in person, mail, email or fax
Submit by April 3, 2023

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