



Getting a summer job!

Hi, my name is Jessica Girard and I am a guidance counsellor with Job Links, the employment/guidance counselling resource for the adult anglophone population of the Eastern Townships. I mainly focus on employment and guidance counselling where I but I also support students that are studying at the New Horizons Adult Education Centre and I have noticed that many students are going to be looking for work this summer but don't necessarily have the tools.

Although summer isn't quite here, it is a great time to start preparing for your summer job hunt! A summer job could be a great opportunity to not only gain work experience and develop skills but also save money for something you desire or even land a part-time job while you study!

Landing a summer job may seem like an easy task but it does require some effort and time. So, in this article, I will provide you with some examples of summer jobs but also present a timeline you can use to organize your summer job hunt!

Typically, when we think of summer jobs, we might think of working at a summer camp as camp counsellor. However, there are a lot of other options. Some of these include working for a city in landscaping or at the local pool as a lifeguard. Moreover, it is also possible to work in customer service as a sales associate or in the food service as cook's aid.

Exploring these different options can start as early as January!

In fact, the months of January, February and March are a great time to:

- Explore and identify the type of job you would be interested in! This can be done by asking yourself what interests you and what skills you want to develop.
- Look at various job search sites, city websites and camp websites.
- Inform your surroundings of your desire to obtain a summer job.
- Put together a CV as well as a cover letter.

Following this exploration, it's then a good time during the month of April to:

- Start applying on jobs.
- Identify possible references.
- Follow-up on positions you've already applied on but are waiting for response for.

Finally, the month of May is a good time to

- prepare for job interviews!

Recruiter's Corner

Free online workshop of the month

Job Links will be hosting, on March 24th and 25th, a workshop dedicated to helping individuals obtain a summer job. To register please visit <https://forms.gle/ysG7oyFUWxs3iu4S6> or call us.

We will, during this workshop go over the different types of summer jobs available, present a recommended timeline, cover various websites that you can explore when looking for a summer job as well as address labour laws!

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We look forward to helping you!