



UNIVERSITY  
of Prince Edward  
ISLAND

### **Sous Chef and Custodial Assistant**

*\*Please note that this is a volunteer position located in Chile. In accepting this role you will be required to relocate to Chiloe Island, Chile for 90 days. This position is open only to citizens and permanent residents of Canada.\**

WEKIMÜN CHILKATUWE is a school on Chiloe Island, Chile, designed for and with indigenous youth and their communities. The school is a result of a collaborative development project funded by Global Affairs Canada and administered by the University of Prince Edward Island and the Williche Council of Chiefs of Chiloe. The school's focus is on intercultural education in indigenous language, traditional health and medicine, human and indigenous rights, gender equity, and sustainable development practices. We work with indigenous Williche youth (15 to 44 years old) from remote and marginalized communities. Anyone from our target communities are able to attend, regardless of education level, and will receive certification in one of our programs.

We are looking for a Canadian (citizen or permanent resident) volunteer who is adaptable, reliable, and embraces challenges. This role will be based at the Wekimun Chilkatuwe school in rural Chiloe and will work with our school chef in preparing meals for students, events, and meetings, and providing support through general custodial work. This is a unique opportunity to learn traditional Chilote and Williche cooking methods and the chance to use ingredients not commonly found in Canada. Depending on your level of qualifications you may be asked to provide professional development to members of the team.

In addition to being an educational centre, the school is also a centre for the local community and is frequently used for events or hosting visitors. It is important for the volunteer to realize the presentation of the school represents many interest groups and a high standard of cleanliness and safety must be maintained.

The volunteer must have basic - intermediate Spanish skills, be comfortable with daily communication, and be willing to improve his/her Spanish skills quickly. This role requires an energetic person who has a positive and adaptable nature. The volunteer will deepen his/her understanding of indigenous rights in development initiatives while experiencing the charismatic culture of the Williche people, their history, and their geography.

#### **Details**

**Schedule:** Approximately 37.5 hours per week. Work schedule will vary and some evenings or weekends will be required.

**Duration:** 90 day commitment from start date

**Start Date:** June/July 2016

**Location:** Chiloé Island, Chile

**Remuneration:** small per diem, return airfare, travel medical insurance, shared accommodation provided

**Skills Required:**

- Previous cooking experience preparing food for small and medium-size groups (between 10 and 50 people).
- Basic - intermediate Spanish skills.
- Attention to detail.
- Efficient.
- Work independently and as part of a team in a multi-cultural environment.
- High adaptability to different social, cultural and economic environments (both personal and professional contexts).
- Excellent interpersonal and intercultural communication skills.
- Flexible with a creative approach to work.

**Assets:**

- Volunteer/work experience in the non-profit sector.
- Experience in indigenous relations.
- Experience living in developing regions.
- Interested in developing opportunities for indigenous cultures in Southern Chile.

**Duties:**

- Food prep, cooking, and serving 10 to 50 people.
- Working with our chef to create healthy, locally sourced meals while adhering to budgets and health and safety regulations.
- Purchasing ingredients and assisting in weekly menu design.
- Assisting in school custodial work.
- Other duties as required.

For more information on this posting, or to apply, please send a cover letter and resume to Jennifer MacPhail at [jenmacphail@upei.ca](mailto:jenmacphail@upei.ca) as soon as possible. The application deadline is May 27, 2016 or until a suitable candidate is found.

Please visit our website at [wekimun.cl](http://wekimun.cl).