

Job Description – Field Program Technician (term)

CANTERRA SEEDS is committed to sourcing genetically-superior field crop seed that delivers agronomic and economic benefits for Western Canadian farmers, while meeting end-user needs. With a versatile portfolio of cereals, pulses and canola, CANTERRA SEEDS seeks opportunities that allow for mutual success in the agriculture industry.

Position Overview

The Field Program Technician will work to support the Field Program Manager in executing the CANTERRA SEEDS field research trials and seed product demonstration program. This position will be based out of CANTERRA SEEDS' Winnipeg office and travelling is required to our Success and research sites in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. This position is a multi-tasking role which requires skills such as organization, field trial management, and completion of physical, hands-on jobs ensuring high-quality field research trials, data, and success of marketing field demonstration plots.

Responsibilities

- Assist with seed setup, seed packaging, envelope printing and overall organization.
- Driving required on daily basis to field research/Success sites to execute field operations.
- Assist with the Field Program Manager:
 - Site preparation (as required)
 - Seeding, including operating small tractor or seeder/planter.
 - Staking, labelling and/or signing of demonstration site locations, trials, plots, etc.
 - Plot maintenance including weed control, manual rouging, general site maintenance.
 - Plot harvest including operation of plot combine, bagging, as required.
 - Post-harvest site cleanup.
 - Submit progress reports in-season to Field Program Manager, as required.
 - Operate field program equipment as needed, training to be provided.
- Understanding of crop protection products (herbicides, insecticides, fungicides) is an asset.
- Tracking, recording and maintenance of warehouse seed and field equipment inventories.
- Harvest sample sorting, drying, organizing and processing for grain quality data as required.
- Operate seed lab equipment such as seed counter, scales, NIR, moisture meter, etc.
- Implement equipment and vehicle sanitation protocols.
- Follow all corporate and workplace health and safety related guidelines and protocols.
- Assist with other duties as assigned.
- Driving: Pursue Class 3 learner license and when experience and training warrants, obtain a Class 3 license (optional)

Qualifications:

- Student of Diploma or B.Sc. Agriculture.
- Farm background or experience with small plot trialling an asset, but not necessary.
- Valid Class-5 driver's license.
- Comfortable working independently; goal-oriented and solution driven.
- Ability to work additional hours during seeding and harvest operations.
- Strong verbal and written communication skills.
- Ability to travel.

Please submit your resume and cover letter to Surjit Bawa, Field Program Manager at s.bawa@canterra.com.