

<p><b>CANADA SUMMER JOBS</b> <b>STUDENT WORKING EXPERIENCE</b></p>
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Again this summer, like last summer, Shining Waters Regional Council and Canadian Shield Regional Council will hire summer students to work on a variety of projects and topics related to the interests, concerns, and experiences of young adults in the church and the surrounding world.

Last year we had youth explore a variety of aspects to life, including: mental health concerns, environmental commitments, queer issues, anti-racism, and the opioid epidemic. Last summer much of the work, like the rest of the world, was done in isolation. Fifteen young adults, with the support of Canada Summer Jobs from the Government of Canada, explored and discussed these topics through Zoom screens across the two regions. In 2022, we are acknowledging that a hybrid is possible, and are excited for the potentiality of growth of such a program. As we look forward to the upcoming year, many of last year's students are returning for employment opportunities and are hoping to explore a variety of topics including, and yet not limited to: relating within creation, music's power to create community, engaging our understanding of church within society, and the historic relationship we hold to our presence and purpose in this world.

The Canada Summer Jobs students will work across the two regions, and there will be opportunities for you to interact with their work. If you are interested in connecting more or engaging with this vital part of our ministry, please contact Jeffrey Dale Minister for Justice and Faith Formation, [jdale@united-church.ca](mailto:jdale@united-church.ca).