

Organization: Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
Division: Strategic Policy Branch
Position Title: POLICY ADVISOR
Job Term: 1 Permanent
Location: 1 Stone Road West, Guelph, N1G 4Y2, West Region
Compensation Group: Association of Management, Administrative and Professional Crown Employees of Ontario
Salary: \$71,881.00 - \$92,540.00 per annum
Posting Status: Open Targeted
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Category: Policy and Analysis
Job ID: 37799

Are you a strategic thinker? Do you see the 'big picture'? If so, apply your policy, research and communication skills in this rewarding position with the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

In this diverse role, you will work with a mixed team of professionals as you analyze and provide innovative, comprehensive and evidence-based policy advice to senior management and Ministry staff.

You will:

- plan and coordinate the development of policy and economic research and analysis;
- develop and refine scenarios and options to assist in policy development;
- maintain and develop linkages with key stakeholders;
- provide leadership to strategic planning; and,
- serve as a team member on branch, division and ministry projects.

What we are looking for:

Knowledge:

- You have knowledge of the theories, practices and application of economics and policy development, trade, finance and statistics, strategic planning and foresight as they relate to the development of agri-food sector policies and strategies.

Policy and research knowledge:

- You have knowledge of policy development with the ability and initiative to anticipate future policy issues.
- You have knowledge of research procedures with the ability to analyze, interpret results and develop recommendations.

Communication skills:

- You have strong oral and written communications skills.
- You are able to establish effective working relationships within and outside the branch in order to deal effectively with persons of various disciplines and levels.

Computer skills:

- You are able to utilize computer spreadsheets, word processing and data analysis software.

Posting Date: Thursday, August 18, 2011

Closing Date: Thursday, September 1, 2011 11:59 pm EDT

How to apply:

1. You must apply online by visiting www.ontario.ca/careers. You must enter the job id

- number in the Job ID search field to locate the job ad.
2. You must show how you meet what we are looking for clearly, completely and concisely. We rely on the information you provide to us.
 3. Read the [job specification](#) to make sure you understand this job.
 4. OPS employees are required to quote their WIN EMPLOYEE ID number when applying.
 5. If you require a disability related accommodation in order to participate in the recruitment process, please [Contact Us](#) to provide your contact information. Recruitment Services staff will contact you within 48 hours.

Remember: The deadline to apply is Thursday, September 1, 2011 11:59 pm EDT. Late applications will not be accepted.

Note: We thank you for your interest; however, we will contact you only if we choose you for further screening or an interview.

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