

# JUNIOR PLANNER / PLANNING TECHNICIAN

## PLANNING, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE + URBAN DESIGN STUDIO

### KELOWNA, BRITISH COLUMBIA

**WSP** is one of the world's leading professional engineering services firms. Every day our more than 34,000 experts work to restore the natural environment and transform the built environment.

In Canada, our 8000+ people are involved in everything from environmental remediation to urban planning, from engineering iconic buildings to designing sustainable transport networks, from finding new ways to extract essential resources to developing renewable power sources for the future.

The excellence we bring to our work and to our workplace has been recognized far and wide. We're a Forbes Top Employer in Canada, one of the Top 100 Sustainable Companies in the World (and among the Top 10 in Canada), and we earned Platinum Elite Recognition through our participation in more than half of Canada's Top 100 Infrastructure Projects.

At **WSP**, we're proud, professional and passionate people. Join us.

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#### POSITION DESCRIPTION

**WSP** is currently seeking a **Junior Planner or Planning Technician** to join our Kelowna Planning, Landscape Architecture + Urban Design Studio (PLAUD). Reporting to the Director of PLAUD Western Canada, this position will provide you with the opportunity to participate in multi-disciplinary municipal and private sector projects in community and regional planning, landscape architecture and urban design. The successful candidate will be responsible for assisting senior staff across all disciplines with various tasks including, but not limited to, research and development, applications of various regulatory approvals, proposals, graphics, mapping and modelling.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES

- Perform professional work related to a variety of planning, landscape architecture and urban design assignments;
- Planning policy and zoning interpretation/administration for municipal and land development clients;
- Assist in research and development of planning studies and development applications;
- Assist in the preparation of complex comprehensive plan amendments including official community plans, zoning bylaws, area structure plans, and neighbourhood plans;
- Act as a liaison between clients and approving authorities;
- Ability to effectively communicate with provincial government agencies, municipalities, private developers, special interest groups, organizations and institutions;

- Conduct research and prepare various technical reports on land use, social, and economic issues;
- Skills to speak to a diverse range of audiences from the general public to major community, business groups, and municipal Councils;
- Assist in the preparation of proposals and other business development activities; and
- Other duties as assigned.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

- A degree or diploma in Community Planning, Urban Planning, Urban Design and / or related field;
- 2+ years of progressively responsible community planning related experience or an equivalent combination of training and experience, preferably in the private sector setting;
- Full membership, or eligibility, of the Canadian Institute of Planners or British Columbia Professional Planners Institute;
- Excellent graphic, written and oral communication skills;
- Proficiency in SketchUp and some familiarity with rendering software;
- Demonstrated public consultation and engagement experience;
- Project and business development experience will set you apart from your peer group;
- Excellent time-management skills.

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Offers of employment for safety-sensitive positions involving fieldwork are contingent upon candidates being able to perform key physical tasks of the job as described in the job posting and interview. This may include the ability to work in a variety of environmental conditions, such as remote or isolated areas, working alone, and in inclement weather (within safe and reasonable limits).

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To learn more about our firm and the projects we have been involved in, please visit our World of Possibilities website listed below.

**WSP is committed to the principles of employment equity. Only the candidates selected will be contacted.**

**Interested candidate, please click and apply at the following link:**

<http://chj.tbe.taleo.net/chj05/ats/careers/requisition.jsp?org=MMM&cws=51&rid=7549>