



YOUTH EMPLOYMENT INITIATIVE

Empowering Futures,
Building Community

Bring Who You Are. Build Who You're Becoming.

What is YEI?

The Youth Employment Initiative helps students in Nova Scotia build self-awareness, set career goals, and gain workplace connections and open doors to **meaningful work experiences**.

Who We Support:

YEI focuses on **historically excluded students**, including:

- African Nova Scotians
- Indigenous & Mi'kmaq students

To qualify:

- Youth - aged 18-25
- Completed 1, 2 or 3 years of study at StFX
- StFX student with good academic standing

What We Offer:

Career Support (Group or Individual)

- Resume & cover letter
- Job search strategies
- Mock interviews
- Networking & mentorship
- Career planning guidance

Paid Summer Work Experience

- ~up to 20 Indigenous, Mi'kmaq, and African Nova Scotian students will receive **wage subsidies for summer 2026 roles** in Nova Scotia.
- Ongoing check-ins with students and employers for a successful experience.

Extra Opportunities

- **Workplace Ready Workshop (April 2026)**
1.5-day event with community leaders, elders, packed with career-focused and leadership programming.
- **Community of Practice**
Throughout your work experience, a chance to connect with peers and mentors on Career Development.

Interested? Contact us today!

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Applications are now open:

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