Instrument Technician, Dairy Analysis

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Instrument Technician, Dairy Analysis

Agriculture & Food Laboratory, Laboratory Services Division

Hiring #: 2019-0115

Please read the Application Instructions [1] before applying

The Dairy Analysis laboratory, Analytical Biology Section, is seeking an individual to analyze legal raw milk samples for milk composition as required by the Ontario Milk Act and other dairy stakeholders. Working in an ISO 17025 registered facility and adhering to various accreditations, the incumbent will use a variety of instruments and equipment to conduct analysis for milk composition and quality. Additional duties include: receiving, unpacking, shipping and routing samples; preparing reagent and controls; preparing samples for analysis; operation of automated testing instrumentation; assessing qualitative and quantitative results against various factors; entering results in a Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS); maintaining accurate records; calibrating instruments; performing QA/QC checks; properly disposing of samples and general laboratory housekeeping duties; other duties as assigned.

Requirements of the position include: Two year Community College program plus related experience, or an equivalent combination of education and experience. Experience working in a high-volume, time-sensitive laboratory; demonstrated working knowledge and experience in dairy analysis and the related methods and QA/QC protocols; excellent trouble-shooting and problem-solving abilities when faced with unexpected analytical results and/or automated instrumentation issues; excellent communication and interpersonal skills to effectively communicate and work with co-workers in a high through-put team environment; good computer skills to work in an automated laboratory environment; understanding of basic statistical terminologies and calculations; working knowledge of Microsoft Excel; working knowledge of data management; working knowledge of laboratory health & safety practices within a laboratory.

Candidates must be able to comfortably lift up to 20 lbs and be physically able to repeatedly conduct the diverse range of motions required for a wide variety of activities.

Hours of work: Monday to Friday, 35 hours per week (rotational shift) with scheduled start times between 7:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

Position Number        485-040
Classification         USW, Local 4120 Salary Band 4*
Salary Range           $22.79 Minimum (Level 1)
                        $25.47 Normal Hiring Limit (Level 3)
                        $30.83 Job Rate (Level 7)

*Tentative evaluation; subject to committee review.

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