

**RESEARCH SCIENTIST  
TURFGRASS**

**CENTRE FOR INNOVATION**

**Salary Range: \$70,307.43 - \$96,672.72 per annum**

Since opening its doors in 1913, Olds College (Olds, Alberta, Canada) has provided quality education and training which has launched successful careers for many generations of learners. With pride, Olds College can link the values that underpinned the first course offerings of the Olds School of Agriculture and Home Economics in 1913 to those reflected in courses offered 101 years later. This continuity has been coupled with change to address evolving learner needs and to reflect today's economic environment. Small classes, customized training, continuing education and an emphasis on hands-on training continue to be characteristic features of courses offered today.

The Olds College Centre for Innovation (OCCI) is the applied research department at Olds College. To that end, OCCI has entered into an affiliation agreement with an industry partner, the Alberta Turfgrass Research Foundation, to fund and conduct research that meets the needs of industry. OCCI has recently been granted a large five year award from a major granting institution and at this time we require a Research Scientist who will be responsible for planning and implementation of applied research projects and the management of staff within the turfgrass area. Reporting to the Associate Vice President of Research & Learning Enterprises, the Research Scientist will administer this new grant and will work to develop partnerships which will allow the research program to focus on industry applied research needs and priorities. The Research Scientist will work closely with other scientists and Research Associates at the OCCI, as well as representatives of an industry advisory committee and other interested stakeholders.

Qualifications include a research-based Ph.D. in a field of turfgrass management, horticultural science, agriculture, or other fields which may relate to the specialized field of turfgrass science. The Research Scientist should have a minimum of 3 years of applied research experience, attained subsequent to achievement of your academic qualifications. Other combinations of education, training and experience may be considered. Proven leadership and negotiation skills combined with strong project management skills, and the ability to prospect, assess and communicate client needs are required. The successful candidate will have demonstrated proposal and major grant writing expertise and budgeting, costing and financial management experience. Experience in integrating applied research into the classroom and curriculum at a college level would be beneficial. A track record of successful research experience in the above-mentioned areas would be an asset.

*This is anticipated to be an approximate five year contract position that could commence as early as June 1, 2014 and end on March 2, 2019, with the possibility of renewal.*

Please forward a resume **quoting competition #14049M by May 1, 2014**. For further information on this or other employment opportunities, please visit our website at <http://www.oldscollge.ca/staff/human-resources/employment-opportunities/index>.

Applications may be e-mailed to [employop@oldscollge.ca](mailto:employop@oldscollge.ca) or sent to the address below:

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*Only those selected for interviews will be contacted.*