



McGill University Sailing Team

The McGill University Sailing Team is looking for two high-level coaches for the Fall 2023 season. We are a competitive sports team made up of 30 undergraduate students from McGill University. Last year, we ranked first in the Canadian Intercollegiate Sailing Association. The team practices out of the Royal St Lawrence Yacht Club in a fleet of twelve C420s purchased in 2016.

Job Title: Sailing Coach

Our Ability Level

- We are competent in points of sail and the fundamentals of boat handling, however, even our best sailors need minor adjustments!
- While every sailor has experience racing, we tend to have a wide range of expertise. Ideally every skill level is learning
- The majority of our regattas are fleet racing regattas. We participate in 1-2 team racing regattas per year

Responsibilities

- Running Monday/Tuesday or Wednesday/Thursday practices from August 31st to October 31st, 2023. Practices begin at 3:30 and run until sunset.
- Creating a plan for the 2023 sailing season this winter, and presenting this plan to the Team Captain before the beginning of the fall season.
- Creating contingency plans for practice days where the weather does not permit productive sailing. This can include fitness and/or theory/rules sessions. The captain, as well as other members of exec, can provide additional support in this area.
- Assisting in the selection of sailors to compete in prioritized events
- Maintain a line of active communication between leadership personnel

- be able to receive and respond to feedback from the executive committee concerning expectations throughout the season
- maintain a degree of professionalism as a figure of authority
- Uphold a professional demeanor throughout the entirety of the season

Required Skills and Qualifications:

- Strong racing background
- Good technical knowledge of 420s and FJs
- Proficient in boat/weather safety knowledge
- Previous experience coaching race teams
- Sail Canada certified coach

Physical Expectations

- Our collegiate sailors lift, rig, launch, and winterize their own boats
- Marks typically need to be brought down a flight of stairs daily and returned at the end of the practice.
- Towing boats back to our dock is needed only in emergencies
- Temperatures can drop to ~6°C by October
- Coach boat provided

Special consideration will be given to coaches who have NCCP III certification or higher and those with knowledge of collegiate racing.

We Offer:

- Competitive salary commensurate with qualifications and experience
- Possibility for contract renewal for subsequent seasons

Review of applications will begin on February 25th, 2023 and will continue until all positions have been filled. Please apply with a resume and cover letter to mcgillsailing@gmail.com.