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**TOP SKI RESORTS SET TO HIRE GAP YEAR STAFF AT BUNAC'S FIRST EVER CANADA JOB FAIR IN LONDON**

This summer, Canada is coming to London as BUNAC hosts its first ever Work Canada Ultimate Job Fair on 11th and 12th August. Representatives from top ski resorts Four Seasons Whistler, Blue Mountain Ontario and Panorama Mountain British Columbia are crossing the Pond to hire suitable candidates. It's a great opportunity for young travellers who have obtained - or are about to apply for - an IEC work permit, to secure employment and a place on the slopes for the coming winter season.

Canada is set to be a favourite gap year option for the Class of 2017 since it was voted Lonely Planet's destination of the year. Visitors will benefit from the positive spirit and numerous events scheduled to celebrate 150 years since Confederation, as well as the weak Canadian dollar giving even better value for money.

The IEC work permit allows eligible British passport holders aged 18 to 30 and Irish aged 18 to 35 years, the chance to live and work in Canada for up to 24 months, so there's plenty of opportunity to travel around the world's second largest country.

BUNAC spokesperson, Emma Beynon comments: "Canada is currently our fastest-growing destination and we're delighted to see so many young people choosing it for their working holiday destination. Students who are currently bogged down with exam revision and haven't found the time to look for gap year jobs abroad needn't panic. There are still Canadian IEC visas available for UK and Irish citizens and anyone who signs up to our Work Canada Ultimate programme receives an exclusive invitation to the Job Fair in August, and the opportunity to pre-book interviews with two employers of their choice."

BUNAC offers more than 25 years' experience of arranging work placements in Canada and has long-standing relationships with a wide array of top Canadian resorts and key seasonal employers. So, whether you are looking for work in a chalet or bar, as a snowboarding instructor or a hotel receptionist, its travel experts are perfectly placed to put you in touch with the right contacts.

The Work Canada Ultimate programme costs £499 and includes support and advice before and during the trip, a pre-arranged job prior to departure, two nights' accommodation on arrival, assistance with accommodation when working (subsidised by employers), arrival orientation and social activities, free or discounted ski passes, access to in-country job databases and support for future work opportunities, webinars to allow that inevitable list of questions to be answered, as well as a handbook, guidebook and t-shirt.

In addition, BUNAC participants receive access to a private Facebook group and the opportunity to take a Group Flight to Canada with like-minded travellers. These sociable Group Flights cost from £730 to Toronto and from £745 to Vancouver and include a fun-packed three-day stopover in Iceland, meaning travellers get a holiday and make heaps of new friends before they even touch down and start their Canadian working holiday.

For further details or to register for Work Canada Ultimate now with a £50 deposit, visit [www.bunac.org/uk](http://www.bunac.org/uk) or, to speak with a member of the BUNAC team, tel: 0333 999 7516.

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Note to Editors: BUNAC has been organising life-changing working adventures worldwide since 1962. Current programmes include working holidays of up to two years in Australia, Canada and New Zealand; summer jobs in the States on Summer Camp USA or Work America; teaching and professional internships in Asia, Australasia and the USA, plus myriad volunteer opportunities and expeditions in Africa, Asia, Australasia and South America.

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