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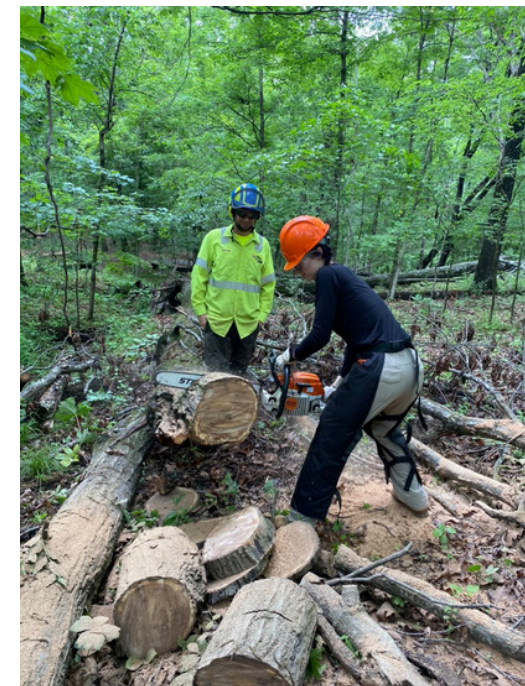
Companies Attending the Career Fair Round Table Event IAA (Municipal Focus)



SIU FORESTRY FIELD DAYS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 11th – 12th, 2026

Touch of Nature Environmental Center:
Freeberg Hall/ Burke Lounge



MAY 11TH, 2026

8am – 9am: Breakfast & Introductions (8:40am)

9am – 10:45am: Chainsaw Safety & Operation Training

Instructor: Jhonny Favier

10:45am – 11:15am: 6-Step Felling Plan

Instructor: Sam Soltwisch

11:15am – 12pm: PHC Safety and Application Training

Instructors: Jacob Kulp & a SavaTree representative

12pm-1pm: Lunch & Introductions

1pm – 3:30pm: Felling & PHC Demonstration

Instructors: Charles Shontz & Sam Soltwisch (Felling), Jacob Kulp & a SavaTree representative (PHC)

3:30pm – 4:15pm: Hands on Chainsaw Maintenance & Sharpening

Instructors: Charles Shontz, Andrew Guettler, Jhonny Favier & Other Trainers

4:15 pm – 4:45 pm: Overview of Day Group Trainings and Handouts

Instructors: Group Trainers, Roger Smith & Andrew Ranney



MAY 12TH, 2026

7am – 8am: Breakfast, Introductions, Group Photo

8am – 12:30pm: Group Trainings

***Groups rotate stations every 1.5 hours.**

Chainsaw Safety & Operation

- Charles Shontz
- Sam Soltwisch
- Macy Drew
- Kyle Carevic
- Thomas Beshoar
- Mark Noark
- Tom Day

PHC Applications & Air Spade Demo

- Jacob Kulp
- Daniel Miraval
- Charlie Eure

Tree Climbing Techniques

- Beau Nagen, Phil Reth, Lisa Mende, Patrick Kelsch, Chris Roberts, Leanna Strecker

12:30 - 1:30: Lunch

1:30pm – 3:30pm: Career Fair

3:30pm-4:15pm: Event Conclusion

- Quiz, Recommendation/Review Form & Concluding Statements from staff, instructors and students.
- Also will announce the Featured Forestry Students.

End with the RAFFLE!