

Andrew Firmin Young Fisher Internship Program

Andrew Firmin grew up in Ft. Yukon and was a respected Gwich'in Athabascan hunter, fisherman, and leader in the Ft. Yukon community and his region. Andrew began serving on the YRDFA Board as an Alternate in 2011 and was elected to the Board in 2014. Taking on his leadership role at 31, Andrew grew into a strong advocate for subsistence hunting and fishing for his region and the Yukon River people up until his passing in 2021.

He always made time for his family and taught his children how to practice their traditional subsistence culture on the land. He believed that things could be better for the Gwich'in Athabascan people. His generous spirit, direct communication and advocacy skills made him well-suited for the many leadership roles he held throughout his life.

Gain Knowledge & Experience

The intern will learn about the Yukon River drainage fisheries in a holistic way. The Yukon River is unique due to the management structure, the international obligations, and our traditional ways of living. The Andrew Firmin Young Fisher Internship program wants to ensure the knowledge of the Yukon River history of our salmon are taught to the next generation of leaders.

What is an Internship?

The Andrew Firmin Young Fisher Internship Program will be a full-time, paid, 12-week summer internship. The Intern will work from home and will be assigned to assessment programs operated by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service or Alaska Department of Fish and Game throughout the Yukon River Drainage.

Benefits of Internship Program

Internships can help gain valuable experience for potential job opportunities and prepare you for the demands of today's workforce.

What will you get?

- Work Experience
- Build your network
- Explore a career path
- Gain role models
- Develop, practice & improve skills

