Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Employment Job Posting

AGFC CONSERVATION PROGRAM TECHNICIAN - **AGFC CONSERVATION PROGRAM TECHNICIAN**

POSITION NO: 22096395

POSTING INFORMATION:

Advertisement Opens: Jan. 3, 2023

Advertisement Closes: March 31, 2023

Full Time: No

Salary: $12.75 - $12.75 Hourly

POSTING REQUIREMENTS:

Minimum Education and/or Experience:

To be eligible for an Internship, applicants must meet the following prerequisites:

Must have a declared degree in the conservation field. Must have 60 hours of college credits earned by the time the Internship begins.

At the time of application, must be a college student, graduated within the previous 12 months, or currently enrolled in a post-graduate program.

Must have a 2.5 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Selected intern will coordinate directly with their college or university to obtain course credit for their work.

Preferred Education and/or Experience:

Experience with basic computer programs such as Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Google.

Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

Knowledge of the procedures and methods used in documenting wildlife investigations. Knowledge of the equipment and techniques used to maintain buildings, grounds and equipment. Knowledge of fish propagation, harvesting, cultivation, and maintenance activities. Knowledge of tissue and blood sampling techniques used in collection research. Knowledge of agricultural methods and basic land laws. Knowledge of timber marking, land surveying, and other related forestry techniques. Ability to collect samples of wildlife, perform fish hatchery, prepare reports, maintain files, and present oral and written information. Ability to operate and maintain wildlife equipment.

Preferred Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

The intern must be an eager and outgoing individual ready to work outdoors and speak to the public. The intern should be interested in pursuing a career in a conservation related field, be a quick learner, and willing to undergo on the job training. Prior knowledge of Arkansas native flora and fauna and a love for the outdoors is strongly recommended. Skilled in outdoor related activities such a hunting, fishing, hiking, etc. Ability to present educational and recreational programs to audiences of all ages. Excellent verbal and written communication skills.

POSTING DETAILS:

Position Location:

City: Jonesboro

Office: Crowley's Ridge Nature Center

Division: Education

Job Summary:

The AGFC’s internship program allows students to gain practical experience and meet hands-on training requirements necessary to earn their degrees and gain valuable career-oriented experience.

Program Goals and Opportunities:

The AGFC Internship program is designed to help students gain education and practical experience related to the conservation work AGFC performs and to meet hands-on training requirements necessary for students to earn their degree. This training is critical to students pursuing a conservation career and is often the deciding factor in gaining employment after college.

Typical Functions:

Inspects forest lands for damage by insects or disease, assists in implementing plans or recommendations for control measures, and prepares plans for site preparation or improvement of planting, harvesting, marketing, or wildlife use. Conducts or assists in conducting research on collected samples, such as fish, blood, water, soil, and plant species, and examines animals and specimens to detect diseases or other problems. Conducts agricultural and forest management activities on wildlife management areas, including preparing seed beds and plant foods; selects and marks trees for thinning and/or logging utilizing soil erosion control measures and maintains waterways, dams, and ponds. Monitors and inspects public and private wildlife to ensure compliance with state regulations and trains various personnel in activities, such as fire safety, accident prevention, and maintenance and calibration of scientific and technical equipment. Gathers, provides, and presents general and forestry educational information and training to various federal, state, local health officers, community organizations, and the general public. Provides technical support and services for scientists and engineers working in fields, such as agriculture, environmental science, resource management, and biology. Assists in conducting fish and game propagation and maintenance activities, including monitoring of spawning, hatching, incubation, sexing, and feeding. Prepares reports pertaining to wildlife findings, conclusions and recommendations. Cleans, maintains, prepares, and supplies work areas. Performs other duties as assigned.

Specific Duties and Responsibilities:

Complete their Conservation Companion Project by conducting a minimum of 3 conservation related programs a week. Lead summer Outdoor Skills programs. Shadow different divisions within the agency in NEA Answer phones, greet guests, and show excellent hospitality to our guests. Assist with special events and other conservation related programs .Identify native wildlife species and plant species at the facility. Assist other divisions of the agencies as various conservation opportunities arise. Assist with keeping record of participants, programs, and meaningful comments from week to week.

Certificates, Licenses, or Registrations:

NONE

Special Job Dimensions:

Internships are no more than 400 hours for 10 weeks amounting to roughly 40 hours per week at a rate of $12.75 per hour. Intern positions will be available through June, July, and August. Flexible work schedules can be established with your division supervisor.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:

Please upload and attach to this application:

1. A current resume.
2. A one-page cover letter to include goals, interests, and how an AGFC internship will help accomplish those goals.
3. A copy of your unofficial or official college transcript(s). Official transcripts will be required prior to employment start date.

IF THESE DOCUMENTS ARE NOT ATTACHED YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE DETERMINED INCOMPLETE UNTIL THEY ARE RECEIVED.

If you are unable to attach your documentation you may email them to NYKKI.ALLRED@AGFC.AR.GOV, attention with the position name and position number in the subject. All documents must be received by March 31, 2023.

Other Specific Information:

Internships are no more than 400 hours for 10 weeks amounting to roughly 40 hours per week at a rate of $12.75 per hour. Intern positions will end tentatively before August 31, 2023.

All applicants are subject to a criminal background check.

As an equal opportunity employer, the Commission will make any reasonable accommodations necessary to ensure equal employment opportunities.