



Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Employment Job Posting

AGFC CONSERVATION PROGRAM TECHNICIAN - AGFC CONSERVATION PROGRAM TECHNICIAN POSITION NO: 22095796

POSTING INFORMATION:

Advertisement Opens: Feb. 6, 2019

Advertisement Closes: March 8, 2019

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:

NONE

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:

NONE

POSTING DETAILS:

Position Location:

City: Mayflower, AR Mayflower Field Office

Office: Mayflower Field Office

Division: Wildlife Management

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:

This position will be responsible for assisting AGFC programs staff and Region 8 biologists and technicians.

- Assist in the implementation of established natural resources management projects on multiple Wildlife Management Areas.
- Assist with and/or complete independently quail call counts, quail brood surveys, turkey brood surveys, and bird monitoring point counts to determine population trends.
- Assist programs staff with surveys for species of greatest conservation need and/or endangered and threatened species.
- Assist programs and regional staff with habitat monitoring data collection.
- Assist programs and regional staff with collection of native seed for native habitat restoration projects.
- Assist field personnel with maintaining and monitoring wildlife openings and old field systems mechanically and chemically.
- Assist in monitoring and maintaining Wildlife Management Area infrastructure, boundary lines, roads, trails, and fire lanes.
- Operate tractors, chainsaws, UTVs/ATVs, GPS equipment, and other farm implements.

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:

This will be a joint position between programs staff and region 8 staff, allowing the intern to gain experience in and knowledge of a wide variety of wildlife management issues and techniques. Programs staff conduct surveys for a variety of at-risk species statewide. Assisting with surveys will give the intern an opportunity to gain an understanding of at-risk species biology, conservation efforts, and monitoring techniques in the state. In addition, the intern will assist with native seed collection and collection of habitat data. Region 8 staff are responsible for management of multiple WMAs and a variety of habitats, including native grasslands, woodlands, and moist-soil units. Central Arkansas WMAs (Camp Robinson SUA/Stone Prairie WMA/Bell Slough/Gulf Mountain/Galla Creek/Ed Gordon Point Remove) are host to a diverse array of wildlife and require intensive habitat management. The intern will assist field staff with various habitat management activities (invasives species removal, water management, old field maintenance, and fire lane maintenance) and will learn a variety of techniques and the use of various equipment while doing so. The intern will also have the opportunity to assist with or independently conduct wildlife surveys using established protocols for quail, turkey, and songbirds.

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