Field Ecology Technician—Fairbanks, Alaska

Summer of 2019

Description:

The Forest Ecosystem Science laboratory at the University of Florida seeks a research assistant for a project that is examining the effect of fire return interval on ecosystem carbon balance in interior Alaska. The applicant should have an eye for detail and enjoy working outdoors, and ideally would be interested in exploring a career in an ecological science and/or continuing on to graduate school. The student will provide laboratory assistance at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks and field help estimating soil CO₂ efflux from mid-May through September 2019. The position will be based out of Fairbanks, AK but will require weekly travel to field sites 2 hours away, and camping in a tent 3-4 nights per week near the field sites. Tents, camping supplies, and transportation will be supplied during the weekday. Work hours are typically 5 days and 40 hours per week, but flexibility in shift length and working days will be necessary. Compensation will depend on qualifications but will range from $13.00-$14.50 per hour.

Requirements:

- Valid Driver’s Licence and Social Security Number.
- Physically able to lift 30 lbs and walk over uneven terrain.
- Basic familiarity with Microsoft Office products.

Preferred (but not mandatory):

- Previous experience working outdoors and living in field camps in remote locations
- Some education in ecological science (technical college or university), preferably from one of the following fields: biology, geophysics, environmental, soil or forest science. However, individuals with a strong interest and an alternative background are also encouraged to inquire.

Contact Us:

If interested, please contact Professor Jason Vogel or Dr. Jason Shabaga by email at the University of Florida.

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