Position Title: Genetics Research Scientist
Scientist (E10)
FTE: 100%

Work Location: University of WI-Stevens Point, College of Natural Resources

Supervisor: Wes Larson, Assistant Unit Leader

Department: The Wisconsin Cooperative Fishery Research Unit (WICFRU)

Department Description: The Wisconsin Cooperative Fishery Research Unit (WICFRU), is a collaborative effort between the College of Natural Resources (CNR) at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, the U.S. Geological Survey and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR). WICFRU is integrated into the Water discipline of the CNR, which includes experts in fisheries management, aquatic habitat, aquatic toxicology, limnology, entomology, watershed management, and water chemistry. The WICFRU provides research and technical support for the State of Wisconsin and trains graduate students.

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Position Summary: The USGS Wisconsin Cooperative Fishery Research Unit at UW-Stevens Point is looking for a postdoctoral researcher to conduct genomics research on cisco populations throughout the Great Lakes region. The Larson lab (https://larsonlab.wordpress.com/) has multiple ongoing projects focused on cisco including constructing a linkage map, conducting restriction site-associated (RAD) sequencing on inland and Great Lakes populations, and designing a high-throughput marker panel for species identification. The successful applicant will focus on analyzing RAD data from over 60 populations of cisco to investigate population structure at neutral and adaptive markers. Opportunities to work on additional projects such as population genomics in walleye and eDNA metabarcoding will also be available. Competitive applicants should have a strong background in bioinformatics and proficiency in one or more scripting languages such as Perl or Python. We will strongly consider applicants who have experience in population genetics regardless of past study organisms; previous experience in fish genetics is not required.

Required Qualifications:
- PhD in relevant discipline
- Background in population genetic analysis

Preferred Qualifications:
- Strong background in bioinformatics
- Proficiency in one or more scripting languages such as Perl or Python
- Experience with library preparation for next generation sequencing

How To Apply: Please be sure to complete all required fields and include all required documents before submitting your application. To return to a draft application, click on the “My Activities” link at the top of the screen after logging in. Once you click on Submit Application, you will not be able to edit or attach any application materials. After submitting the application, you will receive an Application Confirmation email from the application system. Refer to the “How To Apply” document for more information.
Anticipated Appointment Date

May 1, 2018

Terms of Employment

This is a 12-month, Academic Staff annual appointment, exempt from the Fair Labor Standards Act. Salary is $50,000.

Deadline

To ensure consideration, completed online applications must be received by end of day, 11:59 pm, on April 9, 2018. However, screening may continue until the needs of the recruitment are met.

Files must be complete to be considered. Submission in PDF format is preferred for all attachments. Please include the following documents:

- Cover letter addressing qualifications and experience
- Curriculum Vitae
- Contact information for three professional references
- Unofficial Transcripts

Official Transcripts required at time of hire.

For additional information regarding the position, please call or email:

Wes Laron
Supervisor
Email: Wes.Larson@uwsp.edu
Phone: 715-346-3150

If you have any questions regarding the application process, need special arrangements, or if you submitted your application with missing materials, please call or email:

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Human Resources Contact

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An offer of employment will require a criminal background check and authorization to work within the United States as required by the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.