

Bat Field Technician–Indiana



Agency

Center for Bat Research, Outreach, and Conservation and Indiana State University

Location

Bloomington, Indiana

Job Category

Temporary/Seasonal Positions

Salary

Compensation is \$1,050/month + housing provided at Yellowwood State Forest

Start/End Date

05/18/2020–8/14/2020

Last Date to Apply

02/14/2020

Description

3 technicians are needed to assist a PhD candidate's research on bat ecology in south-central Indiana. Research involves mist-netting to capture and tag bats, homing telemetry to locate diurnal roosts, characterizing roosting habitat (vegetation plots), and performing roost exit counts. Additional responsibilities include data entry and quantifying leaf area using software. Research will be conducted within the study areas of the Hardwood Ecosystem Experiment (<http://www.heeforeststudy.org/>) near Bloomington, Indiana.

Work begins 18 May 2020 and is expected to end 14 August 2020 (start/end dates negotiable for excellent candidates).

To apply, send a single PDF or Word file including a brief cover letter highlighting interest and relevant experience, a resume, and contact information for 3 references to Brianne Walters at Brianne.Walters@indstate.edu. Please include "HEE Tech" in subject line for emails. Applications will be reviewed as they are received.

Required Qualifications

- Applicants should be enrolled in or have completed a BA or BS in Biology, Wildlife Biology, Ecology or related field.
- Ability to work alone and in groups
- Good physical condition for hiking and carrying up to 30 lbs.
- Must be able to take detailed and accurate field notes and record data according to protocol.
- Willing to work long, irregular hours, including weekends and nights, under varied and adverse conditions, including rugged terrain and dense brush where exposure to poison ivy and insects are inevitable.
- Must possess a valid driver's license.
- GPS, map reading, and orienteering skills.
- A good attitude, a sense of humor, and the ability to live and work well with others.

Preferred Qualifications

- Experience with radio-telemetry
- Because mist-netting is a large component of this project, candidates with rabies pre-exposure vaccinations will be given preference. All candidates wishing to handle bats are required to obtain rabies pre-exposure vaccinations or provide a recent titer check (from last 2 years).
- Familiarity with Midwestern tree identification.

Contact Person

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