



Job Announcement

Limited Term Position (13 weeks)

The Prairie Enthusiasts (TPE)
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Job Title: Restoration Ecologist

Description: This is a field position leading, supervising, and educating three college level student interns in hands-on ecological management and restoration of native prairie, wet meadow, streams, and oak savanna. This job is with The Prairie Enthusiasts, a non-profit conservation group focused on the protection and recovery of fire-dependant ecosystems of the upper Midwest.

Qualifications: B.S degree, or equivalent experience, in biological or natural history sciences related to native fire-dependant ecosystems of the upper Midwest. Experience in hands on land management and restoration techniques, with power equipment (chainsaws, brush cutters, etc.), and in supervising and direct people is required. Knowledge of the species and ecology of upper Midwest prairies, sedge meadows, and oak savanna is required. Must be self-motivated, have ability to motivate others, have a positive attitude, have a commitment to conservation of endangered ecosystems, and have a driver's license valid in WI. Experience with tractors is desirable, but not required.

Duties: Be in the field directing and leading interns. Lead by example. Foster a safe, productive, and educational work environment. Assess the abilities of the interns and be responsible for their well being. Provide on the job training to interns in the use of equipment and restoration and biological survey methods. Provide education about the natural history of the preserves and why the restoration/management work is needed and is being done the way it is. Be responsible for equipment care and maintenance. At the direction of preserve site stewards, develop weekly work plans.

Location: At TPE owned and managed preserves in southeast Iowa County and western Dane County, WI. The work will be headquartered out of the field facility at 8624 Reilly Rd, Barneveld, WI.

Start: May 21, 2012.

Compensation: \$15/hr. No benefits.

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