



Bat Field Technician Needed

Number of Positions: 3

Location: Near Bloomfield, IN 47424

Time Frame: May 15th until August 15th, 2015

Job Description:

The Center for Bat Research, Outreach, and Conservation at Indiana State University is recruiting three (3) field technicians to assist with research involving the federally endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and the northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*, proposed federal listing). This research will occur in south-central Indiana, near the town of Bloomfield. Duties will include mist-netting, radio telemetry, and emergence counts of bats exiting roosts. Additional duties will include driving a 4WD vehicle, data entry and management, carrying heavy equipment, gear maintenance & decontamination, and other various tasks. Technicians are needed from May 15 through August 15 and can expect to work long shifts including late nights (up till 4am). The technician will work closely with an experienced bat biologist to gain familiarity with survey techniques for the study of bats. This is an excellent position for a student interested in conducting graduate research on bats.

Required Qualifications:

Demonstrated ability to work well individually and with others as part of a team

Positive attitude, strong work ethic, and be in good physical condition

Ability to work long hours, including alternating day and night schedule

Commitment to entire field season (May 15 - August 15)

Ability to withstand outdoor conditions including wading in creeks, summer heat, mosquitos, poison ivy, & nettle

Valid U.S. driver's license required

Willing to use own vehicle for field work (on paved roads only)

Preferred Qualifications:

Mist-netting experience

Previous bat handling and identification experience

Radio-telemetry experience

Pre-exposure rabies vaccination (Must have pre-exposure rabies shots in order to handle bats (**no exceptions!**). Shots are given in a series over 21 or 28 days and will be provided by ISU, if needed)

Eastern tree identification proficiency

Data entry experience, including Microsoft Excel & Access

Stipend: \$450/week, lodging will be provided.

Application Process:

Apply by March 15, 2015

Please e-mail a **single PDF file** containing:

1 page cover letter explaining your qualifications and what you hope to gain from this experience

Resume or CV

Contact information for 3 references

E-mail: please include '**BAT TECHNICIAN**' in the subject line

Mail applications to: brianne.walters@indstate.edu