

Summer Field Positions: Restoration of Montane Meadows in the Oregon Cascades



Description: Field positions are available to assist with vegetation measurements for a large-scale meadow-restoration experiment. We are studying whether tree removal, with or without fire, can reverse the effects of decades to centuries of conifer encroachment of montane meadows in the Oregon Cascades. You will join a team of field researchers (faculty, students, and summer interns) studying various aspects of meadow ecology at Bunchgrass Ridge.

For more information about this research program, visit our web site:

<http://depts.washington.edu/bgridge>

These positions are best suited to mature, upper-level undergraduates or graduates who are considering advanced study or professional work in ecology or botany.

Qualifications: Familiarity with the flora of the Pacific Northwest and the Cascade Range in particular. Ability to recognize or use taxonomic keys to identify meadow and forest species (including grasses and sedges), often from vegetative characteristics alone. Previous experience with vegetation sampling is desirable.

We seek individuals who are interested in learning, detail-oriented, responsible, able to spend long hours in the field, and capable of working and living cooperatively with others.

Field crews will be based at the H. J. Andrews Experimental Forest (HJA), one of NSF's Long-term Ecological Research Sites: <http://andrewsforest.oregonstate.edu/>

HJA provides housing, computing, and lab facilities; hosts diverse groups of ecological researchers; and offers easy access to an array of recreational opportunities in the central Cascades.

Salary: \$13.75 - 15.00/hr, depending upon experience and qualifications

Duration: mid June through mid August (a longer assignment may be possible)

Closing date: 10 March 2013

To apply: Send the following via email to chalpern@uw.edu

- cover letter describing interests, experience/qualifications, and dates of availability
- names and contact information of those providing letters of reference
- resume
- two letters of reference sent directly to chalpern@uw.edu

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