

Position – Forest Ecology Research Technician - University of Maine (Orono, ME)

Location: Orono, ME but requires frequent travel to northern Maine, Quebec and New Brunswick.

Dates: May – August; based on availability.

Pay: \$10-12/hr; based on experience. 40 hour work weeks.

Job Description: Temporary full-time position characterizing forest structure and attributes of old-growth northern white-cedar stands of the Acadian forest. Worker will aid a M.S. student collecting data for a project comparing primary, unharvested forest communities with selectively harvested second-growth. Successful applicant will gain knowledge of ecological sampling techniques, forest mensuration, data collection, and the history and management of the Northern Forest. Work requires travel across Maine, New Brunswick, and Quebec, with transportation between field sites provided. Fieldwork will be physically demanding (hiking, bending, kneeling, and hauling gear) requiring travel over variable terrain in all weather conditions. Work will also involve travel in remote locations, requiring extended periods in backcountry conditions. Work will be conducted in wet and low lying areas subject to high mosquito and black fly pressure. There will also be opportunities to work on various associated research projects.

Qualifications: The ideal candidate is a student pursuing a degree in related field and seeking research experience. Preference will be given to students with knowledge/experience in forest mensuration and plant taxonomy. Must hold a valid driver's license and passport. Basic outdoor skills such as navigation and camping are a plus. Other qualifications include strong observational skills with an ability to pay attention to detail. Must be capable of enduring physically and mentally challenging work conditions.

To Apply: Email cover letter, resume, and contact information for three references to:

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Application Deadline: April 24, 2015; Preference will be given to first applicants.