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Assistant Professor of Wildlife Ecology, University of Missouri

Assistant Professor of Wildlife Ecology School of Natural Resources College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources University of Missouri

Position Description: Assistant Professor of Wildlife Ecology

Starting Date: August 2016, or as negotiated

Responsibilities: This is a 12-month tenure-track position in the School of Natural Resources (<a href="http://www.snr.missouri.edu">http://www.snr.missouri.edu</a>). The successful candidate will be expected to develop an exciting and high-impact, nationally/internationally recognized, externally-funded research program that complements institutional strengths in wildlife ecology. The field-based research program should address both basic ecology and leading edge applied issues. Expectations are to advise undergraduates and mentor graduate students. Teaching may include undergraduate courses in topics such as natural resource planning, wildlife management and conservation, vertebrate natural history, and a graduate course related to the individuals' expertise (total of 2-3 courses per year).

## **Salary – Commensurate with experience**

**Qualifications:** A Ph.D. with an emphasis in terrestrial wildlife ecology; preference is given to applicants with postdoctoral experience, a strong record of impactful peer-reviewed publications, and a level of grantsmanship that reflects high productivity at the career stage of the applicant. The area of expertise should complement existing institutional strengths in contemporary wildlife ecology. The candidate should have a demonstrated interest in working with state and federal agencies. Female and minority applications are strongly encouraged to apply.

About MU: MU, the flagship institution in the University of Missouri System, has over 35,000 undergraduate and graduate students. It is a land grant institution and a member of the Association of American Universities. Located midway between St. Louis and Kansas City, Columbia is a vibrant small city that is consistently ranked among the top such places to live in across America. The School of Natural Resources awards B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. degrees in Natural Resources with emphases in multiple sub-disciplines. Detailed information about the programs and faculty is available at <a href="http://snr.missouri.edu">http://snr.missouri.edu</a>. The School operates many laboratory and greenhouse facilities and has access to extensive field areas available within the College of Agriculture's Farms and Centers Network (<a href="http://cafnr.missouri.edu/research/aes.php">http://cafnr.missouri.edu/research/aes.php</a>). The School has robust collaborative ties to state and federal agencies charged with managing natural resources and numerous opportunities are available access and conduct research on the extensive and diverse public lands surrounding Columbia. This position is one of multiple tenure track positions that the School plans to fill in 2016, and part of a broader effort to build on strengths in the School.

**Application:** To apply for this position, please visit the MU web site at <a href="http://hrs.missouri.edu/find-a-job/academic/">http://hrs.missouri.edu/find-a-job/academic/</a>. Please submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, narrative of teaching philosophy, narrative of current and future research interests, and the names and contact information of three references. Review of applications will begin on February 15, 2016 and will continue until the position is filled. For additional information about the position, please contact Dr. Matthew Gompper, Chair of Search Committee (<a href="mailto:gompperm@missouri.edu">gompperm@missouri.edu</a>)

**Benefit Eligibility:** This position is eligible for University benefits. The University offers a comprehensive benefits package, including medical, dental and vision plans, retirement, and educational fee discounts. For additional information on University benefits, please visit the Faculty & Staff Benefits website at <a href="http://www.umsystem.edu/totalrewards/benefits">http://www.umsystem.edu/totalrewards/benefits</a>

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