

Subject: Seasonal Ecological Field Technician Position In Indiana

We are hiring 4-5 undergraduate students or recent graduates and one experienced crew leader to assist with a long-term forest management project at NWSA Crane in southern Indiana.

This is a great paid opportunity, with free housing provided, for young scientists to gain research experience in a large scale applied ecology project—please forward to motivated undergraduates in your lab or program.

Duties will include: installing research plots; vegetation monitoring and identification; invasive species monitoring; sample processing; implementing midstory removal treatments; and entering data. Additionally, technicians may assist with fire research activities on the Hardwood Ecosystem Experiment (HEE); help with Hardwood Tree Improvement and Regeneration Center (HTIRC) projects near Purdue; and assist with possible work at Hoosier National Forest.

Information about the Saunders lab and project can be found [here](#).

Qualifications:

- Major in biology, forestry, wildlife, or other natural resource based field
- Must possess a valid driver's license
- Must be a U.S. Citizen
- Ability to work in extreme conditions of southern Indiana, including traversing rough terrain while carrying field equipment in high temperatures and inclement weather
- Preference will be given to applicants with problem solving skills, ability to work without direct supervision, and evidence of high quality work
- Preference will be given to applicants with strong plant identification experience, knowledge of forestry principles, and familiarity with ecological research methods

Approximate Hours per Week: 40 (four 10-hour days)

Duration: May through August 2016, potential extension to Fall 2016

Compensation: \$10-13/hr, housing is provided

Number of Positions: 4-5 technicians, 1 experienced crew leader

To apply: Send résumé, cover letter, and contact information for at least two references by **April 1, 2016** to: Skye Greenler (greenler@purdue.edu) and Kalli Dunn (kfredri@purdue.edu)