

Deer Project Coordinator at Purdue University

We seek a project coordinator for an interdisciplinary team working to integrate biological, ecological, and sociological aspects of deer research and management in Indiana. The successful applicant will facilitate collaboration and communication among Purdue University students, staff and faculty and state agency partners working on the project team, as well as user groups and private landowners. The incumbent will communicate regularly with team members and organize/convene meetings to update personnel on progress and success of field work; make judgments as to the suitability of the particular field sites for research activities; and coordinate field activities with graduate student researchers, private landowners and public land managers. The project coordinator will supervise a field research coordinator, obtain access to field sites, conduct and oversee implementation of field sampling of deer and vegetation, and provide oversight for quality analysis/control associated with collection of field data. Responsibilities also include hiring and logistics for summer hourly employees, working closely with graduate student researchers and faculty investigators to organize and archive tabular and geospatial data, and participation in some department-led extension activities.

The position is budgeted for 3+ years with an anticipated start date of 1 July 2018.

Required qualifications include a M.S. degree in field ecology, wildlife science, zoology, biology, or related discipline, as well as experience with field research, preferably with deer and vegetation sampling methods such as camera trapping, fecal pellet counts, browse transects and aerial surveys, and demonstrated experience working outdoors under a variety of weather conditions. Preferred qualifications include experience with white-tailed deer, hunting and hunters, chainsaws, fence construction, tree planting, and 4-wheel drive vehicles, as well as supervisory experience of both individuals and teams.

To apply online, please visit:

<http://purdue.taleo.net/careersection/wl/jobdetail.ftl?lang=en&job=1800238>

All applicants must apply online via the Purdue Careers site in order to be considered. Review of materials will begin 26 February. Additional questions may be directed to Rob Swihart at rswihart@purdue.edu.

Purdue University is an EOE/AA employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities and veterans are encouraged to apply.

About Purdue: Purdue is a land-grant university of over 40,000 students and ranked the 5th best public university in the U.S. Located in West Lafayette, Indiana, Purdue is an easy drive from Indianapolis and Chicago. The Department of Forestry and Natural Resources (FNR) is housed administratively in the College of Agriculture (#8 world ranking), emphasizes interdisciplinary approaches across a broad spectrum of natural resource sciences, and offers vibrant, nationally ranked graduate programs in wildlife and ecology. The West Lafayette-Lafayette area is home to a diverse community of 174,000, with good schools, safe neighborhoods, over 40 parks and extensive trail systems, active Farmers Markets, and year-long community festivals and art events.