Student Research Assistant

(Plant Biology, Forestry, Horticulture, Entomology, Natural Resources, Environmental Science, Engineering Biology, Agriculture and related majors encouraged to apply)

Summer 2018

38 hours per week, flexible schedule - $12.00/hour
(some weekends required)

We currently have a position open for a student research assistant as part of a collaborative research project with the Department of Evolution, Ecology and Organismal Biology and the US Forest Service.

Location:
US Forest Service – Northern Research Station
Research Work Unit NRS-16: Restoration and Conservation of Rural and Urban Forests
359 Main Rd.
Delaware, OH USA

Job Description:
This position is through the Department of Evolution, Ecology and Organismal Biology at the Ohio State University but is located at the US Forest Service Forestry Sciences Laboratory in Delaware, OH.

The selected candidate will get hands on experience propagating and maintaining large numbers of trees and conducting insect bioassays as part of a research project to identify and improve resistance to the Emerald Ash Borer in North American species of ash. Duties will include maintenance of potted plants in the greenhouse and growing areas; maintenance, installation and data collection of research plantings; assistance in setting up insect bioassays, and maintaining inventory and accession records. The position will require long periods of time working outdoors in all weather conditions and the ability to lift up to 50 pounds, sometimes on a repeated basis, throughout the work day. Candidate will be required to help with weekend watering on a rotating basis, which typically equates to a 4 hour shift on Sat. or Sun. morning, about 2 weekends per month.

Successful candidates should have knowledge of or interest in learning horticultural principles and techniques required to propagate woody plants and utilizing integrated pest management procedures. Experience in landscaping including weeding and mowing is a plus. Applicants should have the ability to take direction, work as part of a team and have excellent interpersonal skills.

For more information, or to express interest in the position, contact:
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