



Douglas-Hart Foundation
2204 DeWitt Ave. East
Mattoon, Illinois
Summer 2019 Seasonal Position

Summary of Position

This is a field position where employee gains experience managing over 70 acres of agricultural land that has been transformed into the three main habitats of East Central Illinois: woodland, wetland and prairie at the Douglas-Hart Nature Center. Employee also will gain horticultural experience helping maintain specialty garden beds and care of unusual plants at two additional foundation properties, Friendship Garden and The Whiteside Garden. Position qualifies as an Environmental Biology Internship through Eastern Illinois University and Lake Land College.

Position and Role

Employee will work under the direction of the Land Stewardship Director. Duties will include, but not limited to, invasive plant removal, grounds maintenance, seedling care and transplanting, trail and flowerbed maintenance. Care and maintenance of special horticultural plants also will be done. Occasional assistance with educational programs may also be necessary.

Requirements

Must be 18 years of age and a high school graduate.

Must possess a valid driver's license

Must complete 480 hours (12 weeks) during May- August 2019.

Must possess or be willing to obtain an Illinois Pesticide Operators License (training provided).

Must be able to communicate and interact with a variety of people with diverse backgrounds, perspectives and opinions.

Ability to work independently and follow instructions.

Ability to work cooperatively and effectively in a group.

Willingness to work some weekends.

Must be able to walk over rough terrain without trails and lift and carry 30 pounds and work in all types of weather.

Learn to safely operate a brush cutter, chainsaw and various hand tools.

Salary

\$8.50/hour

Application Information

Please send a resume including 3 references and a cover letter highlighting relevant experience and/or interest in the position to Marissa Grant mgrant@dhnature.org

Applications accepted until position is filled. Interviews will be conducted as applications are received and reviewed.

For more information about the nature center and its mission, visit <http://www.dhnature.org/>.

For questions please contact Marissa Grant at mgrant@dhnature.org

Disclaimer

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work. They are not intended to be an exhaustive list of all the responsibilities and qualifications.