



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge/Wetland Management District



Student Employment Opportunity

What: Student Temporary Experience Program (1 or more positions)
Biological Technicians from May-August, 2009 (depending on school schedule).

Salary: \$11.97 - \$15.03 (Salary level dependent on education). Housing may also be available.

Where: Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge, Bloomington, MN

About the Refuge:

Minnesota Valley NWR/WMD is located in the Minneapolis/St. Paul metropolitan area. The Refuge Visitor Center is located less than a mile from the Mall of America and the MSP airport. A new Environmental Education Center is also open near Carver, Minnesota. The Refuge covers over 14,000 acres along a non-contiguous corridor of the Minnesota River. The Refuge also manages a 14 county wetland management district which includes over 29 Waterfowl Production Areas and numerous habitat easements which encompass more than 6,000 acres.

Job Description:

Responsibilities may include posting boundaries, mowing, grass cutting, painting and repairing public use structures, maintaining water control structures, duck banding, exotic species control and environmental education. In addition, experience assisting with biological surveys and research will be provided (waterfowl, plant and/or amphibian surveys).

Job Requirements:

Students must be able to work well with others and work independently. Positions require occasional weekend work, as well as outside exposure to insects and weather extremes. A valid driver's license is required. Experience with 4X4 vehicles, farm equipment, mowers, and various hand tools is helpful, as well as plant and bird identification and canoeing skills. Personal protective equipment and training will be provided.

Address your experience, knowledge, and skills in your resume otherwise credit may not be given during selection. Qualified applicants will be requested to submit several other forms in February and may be asked to submit fingerprints for a background check prior to hiring.

Positions are only open to students who will not graduate from college before September 30, 2009. For questions call Vicki Sherry at 952-858-0723, or for information about the Refuge visit www.fws.gov/midwest/minnesotavalley/

To Apply:

Please send letter of interest, resume, two reference letters and unofficial transcript by February 15, 2009 to: Vicki Sherry, Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge, 3815 American Blvd East, Bloomington, MN 55425; Email: vicki_sherry@fws.gov.