



**United States Department of the Interior
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
CENTRAL ARKANSAS REFUGE COMPLEX
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Title: Summer 2015 Diverse Wildlife Internships (2)

Location: Central Arkansas Refuge Complex, Augusta, Arkansas

Description: Cache River National Wildlife Refuge is a 67,000-acre refuge located in northeast Arkansas and features some of the largest remaining tracts of bottomland hardwood forest within the Mississippi Alluvial Valley. This unique refuge provides critical habitat for waterfowl and other migratory and resident wildlife species. The refuge is characterized by extensive forested flats, shallow sloughs, meandering channels, lakes, and other wetlands, reforested lands, and farmed sanctuaries. Interns will work primarily at Cache River NWR; however, there are four other refuges in the complex; Bald Knob, Wapanocca, Holla Bend and Big Lake, and interns may have short-term assignments at these refuges as well.

Interns will be involved in wildlife management, forestry, and maintenance; duties will be shared. Work hours are variable (usually 7:30 to 4:00, Monday through Friday) and will average around 40 per week.

Housing will be provided for free in a former hunting lodge. The lodge is a one story ranch style building. It is shared housing with 8 bedrooms, 2 full baths, full kitchen, living area, den, outbuildings, and washer and dryer. A vehicle will be provided for work and for travel between office and the lodge.

Major projects:

- Assist refuge biologist with multiple wildlife projects such as: moist-soils (plant) monitoring & management, bat acoustical surveys, bat research project (telemetry, habitat surveys, and mist-netting), marshbirds call-back surveys, wood duck capture and banding, moist-soil seed estimations, wildlife data entry & database management, GPS and GIS use, and other duties related to wildlife management.

- Periodically assist refuge forester with removal of beaver dams, collection of forest habitat inventory data, and other duties related to forest habitat management.
- Occasional assist refuge staff with boundary posting, vehicle and grounds maintenance, and other diverse duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- Applicants must be pursuing a degree in wildlife biology, forestry, ecology, or zoology, or be a recent graduate of these studies.
- Experience in conducting radio telemetry and/or bat experience preferred.
- Knowledge of general wildlife management techniques.
- Must be able to work out-doors withstanding hot temperatures, insects, snakes, etc.
- Desire to work hard and learn on the job.

Duration: Approximately 12 weeks, starting in early to mid-May 2015.

Benefits: Free housing, vehicle to drive while working, washer and dryer access and job experience.

Last Day to Apply: April 24th; selections may be made earlier.

How to Apply: Applicants can mail, fax, or e-mail résumé (e-mail preferred). Résumé must include three references and should have a cover letter describing any pertinent experience and/or class work related to wildlife management, radio telemetry, bat work, plant taxonomy, GPS and GIS, and your interest in the position.

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