Job Description:
Field Technician in Freshwater Fish Ecology – University of Washington (April to August, 2016)

We are looking for a field technician to join the Freshwater Ecology and Conservation Laboratory (Dr. Julian Olden, University of Washington) for several months to assist with a series of field projects in Arizona and California. Projects include the investigation of the food web and community ecology and distribution of native and non-native fishes in the Lower Colorado River basin (Arizona) and population biology of fishes in the Santa Margarita and Salinas River basins (California).

Description: The technician will assist with extensive field surveys using electrofishing, seining, and trapping techniques in field locations in Arizona and California. Other tasks will include taking length and weight measurements for fish, gathering habitat data, collecting samples and data entry. Field sites are remote (unpredictable or no cell service) and teams will be tent camping for extended periods. In general, applicants should be prepared for long working days and weeks, variable weather conditions, incredible scenery and a lot of fun.

Dates: Project dates of employment are from beginning April through July, 2016. The approximate schedule of locales will be Arizona (April 2), California (May) and then returning to Arizona later in the summer.

Salary: $520/week. Field and camping equipment, food and transportation to all field sites is provided.

Qualifications: Willingness and ability to work remotely in freshwater systems and spend extended periods of time camping. Required attributes include: valid driver's license, ability to lift 50lbs, ability to swim, and outdoor/camping experience. Preference will be given to candidates with prior experience in fish ecology and/or biological fieldwork. Patience with changing plans and ability to work well both independently and on a team are preferred.

To apply: send a cover letter (including dates of availability and experience), a current resume, and names and contacts for two references to jfencl@uw.edu

Deadline to apply: March 27, 2016
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