

## Fisheries Research Technician Montana State University/ Yellowstone National Park

Start: May 2018

End: September 2018

Pay: \$11.20/hr



### Description

We seek to hire an individual to assist with a graduate research project assessing the recovery of Arctic Grayling and Westslope Cutthroat Trout in restored streams of northwestern Yellowstone National Park. The successful candidate will work as part of a small crew in highly remote areas, up to 10 miles off-trail, for extended periods of time of up to two weeks, and must be willing to hike difficult, mountainous terrain while carrying a heavy pack. Responsibilities will include assisting the graduate student with field activities such as electrofishing, collecting biological samples, PIT-tagging fish, conducting visual spawning surveys, setting and retrieving gillnets, and maintaining a clean backcountry camp in the heart of grizzly bear country. The successful candidate will also help write field reports, collect and enter data, and build maps in ArcGIS and graphs in Excel. The successful candidate will be considered full-time seasonal and can expect to work 40-50 hours/week. The field site trailheads are located about 1.5 hours from Montana State University in Bozeman. Housing provision cannot be guaranteed at this time; the successful candidate may be responsible for finding their own housing. Visit [here](#) for more information about native fish conservation in Yellowstone National Park.

### Qualifications

- Possess a valid U.S. driver's license
- Combination of educational and field experiences related to fisheries conservation, management, biology, ecology, or a closely related field
- General knowledge of fisheries conservation and management techniques
- General knowledge of backcountry etiquette and mountain-related hiking risks
- Ability to collect and maintain data and evaluate data for accuracy and relevancy
- Experience working with hand-held GPS equipment
- Willingness to work in remote, backcountry settings in the heart of grizzly bear country
- Ability and willingness to practice and perform safety protocols and techniques while in the workplace
- Ability to hike long distances (10 miles) over treacherous terrain with heavy packs and work 10+ hour days
- Passionate about a fisheries career, research oriented, and with a desire to attend graduate school
- Horsemanship skills are preferred but not required

For questions and to apply, submit the following to [andriana.puchany@student.montana.edu](mailto:andriana.puchany@student.montana.edu)

1) Letter of interest, 2) resume or CV, 3) names and contact information for three professional references, and 4) unofficial transcripts

Last day to apply: February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018