



2019 – PROJECT DESCRIPTION **FALL/WINTER SEASON**

NPS UNIT: GLACIER NATIONAL PARK

PD #: For Office Use Only

Position Title: Biology Assistant

Position Type: Guest Scientist. **Guest Scientist** internships are usually filled by students or recent graduates with a higher level of expertise or experience. A limited number are open to persons older than 35 years old. Location: Glacier National Park, West Glacier, MT

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND WORK PRODUCTS

Position Description: Glacier National Park's Citizen Science Program, coordinated by the Crown of the Continent Research Learning Center (CCRLC), engages park visitors, local community members, and students in research, fostering science literacy and resource stewardship amoung participants.

We are seeking an innovative and dedicated Geoscientists-in-the-Parks Guest Scientist to bring our work up to date with current technology for citizen science and crowdsourcing and to pioneer new technologies to assist us with managing the enormous volume of data generated by the program. The intern will also work to raise the bar on our data data quality assurance/ quality control and will develop communication products for sharing our data with the public and park managers.

Primary Objectives and Work Products:

- Develop a final version of Survey 123 app incorporating results from beta testing version
- Develop a beta test version of Survey 123 app (or similar) for High Country Citizen Science surveys
- Refine data display and maps generated by Survey 123
- Implement one citizen science/ crowdsourcing app for priority Glacier National Park Resource management • needs including Flathead River monitoring and winter wildlife and recreation monitoring
- Complete data management protocol and guidelines for increasing citizen science data quality •
- Synthesize data higlights from long-term datasets to develop science communication products •
- Submit project results for web content on the park's website, the NPS Citizen Science webpages and the NPS Biodiversity website.

OUALIFICATIONS

- **GIS** experience
- Science communication and/ or science education experience
- Experience working with apps
- Experience with community outreach, volunteer coordination and/or crew leadership
- Experience with data collection following detailed Standard Operating Procedures, and general attention to ٠ detail
- Ability to conduct moderately strenuous field work, hike/ ski/ or snowshoe up to 12 miles a day and be comfortable in remote backcountry settings

The applicant must be a U.S. citizen or U.S. permanent legal resident ("green-card-holder") between the ages of 18 and 35 years old. Prior to starting this position a government security background clearance will be required. **VEHICLE/DRIVER LICENSE REQUIREMENTS**

Applicant must have a valid driver license and a good driving record. A driver license is required for use of government vehicles to conduct training programs, collect field data and attend meetings.

HOUSING

Park housing is available and will be provided at no cost to the participant.

INTERNSHIP START/END DATES

Start Date: 10/7/2019 Number of weeks: 26 weeks Flexibility of dates: Yes

LIVING AND TRAVEL ALLOWANCE

26 weeks (\$400/week = \$10,400); \$250 for travel duty station

AMERICORPS PROGRAM



AmeriCorps is a program that engages individuals in intensive community service work with the goal of "helping others and meeting critical needs in the community". The GIP Program is supported through AmeriCorps by providing a Segal Education Award in addition to the GIP's living stipend and relocation allowance.

Upon successful completion of the GIP position, the GIPs (AmeriCorps members) are eligible for a \$1,612 - \$6,095 pre-tax education that can be used for paying back student loans or for continuing their education. The amount of the education award is based on the length of the position.

AmeriCorps limits the number of terms an individual can serve to 4 terms. If an applicant has previously completed 4 GIP or other AmeriCorps positions, they will not be eligible to apply for an additional GIP position.

Public Land Corps

The Public Land Corps (PLC) authority grants non-competitive hiring status to former PLC members between the ages of 16 to 25 who have served a minimum of 640 hours of satisfactory service on an appropriate conservation project that included at least 120 hours through the PLC, and meet all eligibility requirements.

TO APPLY:

Please send the following documents by COB July 12, 2019

- Resume detailing your relevant experience.
- Cover letter
- Supplemental essay questions (Limit 300 words each):
 - Discuss how your experience and interests align with the primary objectives for this Guest Scientist Position
 - Discuss why you feel that public engagement in research and science literacy is important

Please send to: glac_citizen_science@nps.gov For more information: https://www.nps.gov/rlc/crown/citizen-science.htm ; https://www.nps.gov/rlc/crown/geoscientist.htm