Internship: Freshwater Ecology Outreach Video Production

Agency, Location: Montana State University Department of Ecology, Bozeman MT

Wage: $10.00-$13.00/hour, Commensurate with experience

Application End Date: January 28, 2018; Interviews will be scheduled shortly thereafter

Duration of project: Approximately March 1-June 1, 2018

Responsibilities: We are seeking an independent and motivated student interested in science communication via production of educational videos that cover topics related to freshwater ecology. The project goals are to produce videos (3-10 minutes) that i) illustrate the importance of ecosystem engineers (animals that create habitats), and ii) highlight current research taking place on freshwater ecosystem engineers at MSU. The videos will specifically document freshwater macroinvertebrates. The ideal candidate will have an interest in ecology, freshwater conservation, education, and videography; experience with video equipment and editing software; field experience including hiking and river wading; and a strong desire to work at the interface of outreach and science. The work schedule will be variable, but we anticipate somewhere between 4-10 hours per week, or approximately 40 hours per month between field and studio time. Funds are available to purchase or rent vital equipment and other supplies.

Qualifications: Applicants from within the Ecology Department will be given priority, but students in related disciplines will be considered. Desirable qualifications include demonstrated field experience, demonstrated video production experience (either formally or informally), and the ability to work as part of a research team in a remote location. Applicants must have strong interests in freshwater ecosystems, advancing science outreach, and communicating with natural resource agencies, non-profits, and stakeholders.

Contact: To apply, please send an email to Dr. Lindsey Albertson (lindsey.albertson@montana.edu) that contains a single PDF of the following: (1) cover letter describing credentials and professional goals; (2) curriculum vitae including GPA, relevant course work, and links to examples of videography work; and (3) email addresses and phone numbers for two references. Inquiries about the position are welcome.