



JOB OPPORTUNITY – INTERNSHIP

Ohio Division of Wildlife

Mission Statement: To ensure a balance between wise use and protection of our natural resources for the benefit of all.

JOB CLASSIFICATION:	Wildlife Biologist Internships (1 to 4 positions, anticipate 3)
SALARY:	\$538.46/week (\$14.17/hour)
JOB LOCATION:	Up to 2 wildlife-biologist internships at the Ohio Division of Wildlife Central Office (Columbus, OH), and up to one wildlife-management internship at the Ohio Division of Wildlife District-1 Office in Columbus.
HOURS OF WORK:	38 hours/week.

These are 12-week summer internship positions expected to run from 13 May to 2 August 2024.

Job Duties: Assist with a variety of wildlife-research activities at the Ohio Division of Wildlife's (ODW) central office headquarters (Columbus, OH) or wildlife-management activities at the Ohio Division of Wildlife's District-One office. Duties may include bird banding (mourning doves, wood ducks, Canada geese), wildlife capture, radio tracking of wildlife, wildlife monitoring, data entry and analysis, GIS mapping, handling routine public inquiries, assisting private-land biologists, etc. Interns also may be required to produce an independent project report at the conclusion of their internship experience.

Minimum Qualifications: A strong interest in expanding the applicant's knowledge of wildlife biology and management. Interns will be expected to enroll for SENR internship credit (ENR 4191; 2 credit hours) during autumn semester (Fall 2024). (Note: Interns enrolling in ENR 4191 will be required to attend two or three meetings, prepare a professional resume and cover letter that reflects internship experience, develop a PowerPoint presentation of internship experience to be presented at a meeting of the Student Chapter of the Fish and Wildlife Society, and finalize an independent-study project report if assigned).

Unusual Working Conditions: Exposure to a wide range of field conditions, including inclement weather, biting insects, contact with wild animals and related situations. Work weeks may involve more than five days, especially during wildlife-capture, population survey and bird-banding activities. Applicants must be willing and able to be flexible in their work schedule to complete assigned duties, such as early morning wildlife surveys.

Desired Characteristics: Applicants should have a strong desire to participate in a variety of wildlife-biology and wildlife-management activities, and a willingness to learn processes and procedures related to operations at the ODW central office or District-One office. In addition, applicants should have the ability to carry-out instructions in written, oral, or picture form; maintain accurate records; gather, collate, and classify information about people, wildlife, or things; deal with problems or unfamiliar situations by learning and applying problem-solving techniques; cooperate with co-workers on group projects; learn and use proper research methods in gathering, recording, and reporting data; complete routine forms; prepare meaningful, concise, and accurate reports; learn and follow proper procedures to ensure the safety of self, co-workers, and the public; ability to interact with the public in a courteous and professional manner. Interns must have a valid driver's license as they will be required to drive ODW vehicles to conduct field assignments.

This is a great opportunity to gain valuable wildlife-biology and wildlife-management experience, learn about the Ohio Division of Wildlife, and to meet wildlife agency staff. It will also provide an excellent chance to improve your professional qualifications in the field of natural resources, and in the specialization of wildlife management and wildlife research.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Interested applicants should submit a résumé and cover letter to: Division of Wildlife Internships, attention Dennis Hull, Room 383 Kottman Hall, 2021 Coffey Rd, Columbus, OH 43210-1085. Applications also can be emailed to hull.135@osu.edu, placed in Dennis Hull's KH210 mailbox, or delivered to Hull's KH383 office. Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 14, 2024. Interviews will be scheduled for early to mid-March 2024.

If you have any questions regarding these internship positions please contact Dennis Hull (hull.135@osu.edu, Kottman Hall 383 or Dr. Robert Gates (gates.77@osu.edu, Kottman Hall 383C).