

## **Field technician position: plant community and restoration ecology**

A field technician position is available with Lars Brudvig's research group at Michigan State University (<http://brudviglab.plantbiology.msu.edu/>) to assist with plant community and restoration ecology projects in Michigan.

Primary job duties will include plant community surveys and measurement of environmental (e.g., soil, light) parameters within prairies and oak savannas undergoing restoration, establishment and maintenance of experimental field plots, and lab/office work (e.g., sample processing, data entry and proofing). The technician will work both independently and collaboratively with postdocs and graduate students in the lab. The technician will also have the opportunity to spend (paid) time working with restoration practitioners on related projects.

Minimum requirements: A Bachelor's degree in ecology, biology or a similar field of study, previous research experience, the ability to work full days under arduous (hot/humid) field conditions, and a valid driver's license.

Desired qualifications: Formal botanical training, knowledge of prairie and/or oak savanna flora, prior experience conducting vegetation surveys, and experience with restoration practice.

Positions will begin as early as May and no later than July 2017, and will last 6-9 months. Applicants should indicate dates of availability in their application letter.

Pay rate will be \$12.00/hour, for 40 hours/week. The technician will spend time based out of Michigan State University's main campus (East Lansing, MI) and Kellogg Biological Station (Hickory Corners, MI; <http://www.kbs.msu.edu/>), with daily and some overnight travel to field sites. These travel expenses will be covered.

To apply: Email a CV and a letter describing your interest in this position, relevant past experience, start date availability, and contact information with email addresses for two references to Lars Brudvig ([brudvig@msu.edu](mailto:brudvig@msu.edu)). Review of application materials will begin on 14 April 2017; applications received after 21 April 2017 will not be considered.

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