PARK RANGER

RECREATION MANAGEMENT AND VISITOR ASSISTANCE POSITIONS

LOCATION:
Saylorville Lake
Johnston, IA

SERIES/GRADE:
GS-0025-03 ($12.95/hour)
GS-0025-04 ($14.54/hour)

OPEN PERIOD:
Applications must be received on or before 27 December 2019

REQUIREMENTS
- Incumbent must have a valid state driver’s license and be able to drive U.S. Government vehicles in accordance with Corps of Engineers standards.
- Incumbent is required to wear prescribed uniform (uniform allowance provided).
- Must be a citizen of the United States.
- Be meet the minimum qualification requirements listed below.
- Must be able to begin full-time work in mid-May. Applicants who are currently students must be able to begin full-time work immediately following the end of the spring semester.

QUALIFICATIONS, CLASSIFICATIONS AND PAY:

In order to qualify, you must meet the education and/or experience requirements described below. Experience refers to paid and unpaid experience, including volunteer work done through National Service programs (e.g., Peace Corps, AmeriCorps) and other organizations (e.g., professional; philanthropic; religious; spiritual; community; student; social). You will receive credit for all qualifying experience, including volunteer experience. Your resume must clearly describe your relevant experience; if qualifying based on education, your transcripts will be required as part of your application. Temporary Park Rangers are hired under the GS pay schedule and will be appointed at the GS-03/04 level.

GS-03:
EDUCATION: Completion of 1 year of education above high school with 6 semester hours of related coursework (forestry, natural resource management, natural sciences, earth sciences, history, archeology, anthropology, park and recreation management, law enforcement/police science/criminal justice, social sciences, museum sciences, animal ecology, biology, leisure studies, business administration, public administration, behavioral sciences, sociology, or other closely related subjects pertinent to the management and protection of natural and cultural resources);
OR

EXPERIENCE: To qualify based on experience, applicants must possess 6 months of general experience AND 3 months of specialized experience.

General Experience: Experience in administrative, professional, technical, investigative, or other responsible work that provided a familiarity with natural or cultural history; fish or wildlife habitat characteristics; techniques of resource protection and use; recreational use of public lands and facilities; enforcement of laws, rules, or regulations; fire prevention techniques and fire suppression methods; or the practice of interpersonal relations skills in dealing with the general public. Experience in substantive and relevant secretarial, clerical, or trades and crafts work is also qualifying if pertinent to the position to be filled. Experience of a routine nature, such as typing, filing, maintaining records, or other non-specialized tasks is not qualifying.

Specialized Experience: Experience that demonstrated the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to successfully perform the duties of the position to be filled. Experience may have been in technical, administrative, or scientific work, fish and wildlife management, recreation management, law enforcement, or other park-related work. Examples of qualifying specialized experience include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Park guide or tour leader.
- Law enforcement or investigative work.
- Archeological or historical preservation research work.
- Forestry and/or fire management work in a park, recreation, or conservation area.
- Management, assistant, or program specialist work involving the development and implementation of policy related to protection, conservation, or management of park areas or similar operations.

GS-04:

EDUCATION: Completion of 2 years of education above high school (60 semester hours) with 12 semester hours of related coursework (forestry, natural resource management, natural sciences, earth sciences, history, archeology, anthropology, park and recreation management, law enforcement/police science/criminal justice, social sciences, museum sciences, animal ecology, biology, leisure studies, business administration, public administration, behavioral sciences, sociology, or other closely related subjects pertinent to the management and protection of natural and cultural resources);

OR

EXPERIENCE: To qualify based on experience, applicants must possess 6 months of general experience AND 6 months of specialized experience.

General Experience: Experience in administrative, professional, technical, investigative, or other responsible work that provided a familiarity with natural or cultural history; fish or wildlife
habitat characteristics; techniques of resource protection and use; recreational use of public lands and facilities; enforcement of laws, rules, or regulations; fire prevention techniques and fire suppression methods; or the practice of interpersonal relations skills in dealing with the general public. Experience in substantive and relevant secretarial, clerical, or trades and crafts work is also qualifying if pertinent to the position to be filled. Experience of a routine nature, such as typing, filing, maintaining records, or other non-specialized tasks is not qualifying.

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- Park guide or tour leader.
- Law enforcement or investigative work.
- Archeological or historical preservation research work.
- Forestry and/or fire management work in a park, recreation, or conservation area.
- Management, assistant, or program specialist work involving the development and implementation of policy related to protection, conservation, or management of park areas or similar operations.

DUTIES OF THE POSITION:

Primary duties of this position include:
- Perform Visitor Assistance duties as assigned. Patrol of Federal recreation areas by vehicle, boat, bike, and foot.
- Enforcement of Title 36 CFR, issuance of warnings and citations.

Secondary duties of this position include but are not limited to:
- Contract inspection and safety inspection of recreational facilities
- Conducting customer surveys
- Staffing Visitor Center
- Preparing and presenting interpretive programs
- Natural resource management duties
- Other duties as assigned

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION:

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS:
These positions are temporary, not to exceed (NTE) 18 months. Primary duty season is from approximately April – October 2019. As such, applicants filling these positions are NOT eligible for health or life insurance benefits. Summer Rangers DO earn four hours of sick leave and four hours of
annual leave per pay period. When scheduled, summer rangers earn night differential, Sunday premium and holiday premium pay.

WORK SCHEDULE:
Successful applicants will be required to work all weekends and all Federal Holidays during the period April through October as well as evening night patrol shifts when scheduled. Overtime may also be required when the situation arises.

TRAINING:
Successful applicants will be required to attend approximately 60 hours of classroom and in-field training.

UNIFORMS/EQUIPMENT:
Successful applicants will be provided a uniform allowance in which to order the required uniform wear including work boots. Other necessary equipment will be furnished.

HOW TO APPLY:

The following forms are required for application:
1. Personal resume detailing work experience and education;
2. Unofficial transcript from your current college or university if qualifying based on education.

All application materials should be received on or before the closing date of the announcement. **CLOSING DATE IS 27 DECEMBER 2019**

**Email Application Material To:**
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Interviews will take place in early January to February and applicants will be contacted for interview locations and times.

**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER:**

All qualified applicants will receive equal consideration for the position without regard to race, religion, color, political or other lawful affiliation, marital status, sex, age, and national origin, membership in an employee organization, or handicap which does not interfere with the ability to perform the duties of this position.