

FIELD CREW LEAD (1) AND RESEARCH ASSISTANTS (5) NEEDED FOR OREGON FOREST POLLINATOR STUDY

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Crew leader position runs approximately April 15-September 4, 2019; research assistant positions run approximately April 29-September 4, 2019; there is the potential for some flexibility on start and end dates. Pay rate is \$2500-\$2700/month for crew leader and \$2200-\$2400/month for research assistants, depending on previous research experience. Will also provide free housing (including utilities) for the full duration of the position, as well as free project-related transportation.

Qualifications: Applicants should have a B.S. degree in entomology, animal ecology or a related field plus a minimum of 2 years of field experience for research assistants (2 season-long field positions = 2 years of field experience) and 3 years of field experience for crew leader. Preference will be given to candidates who are proficient with insect collection and identification, have previous experience sampling pollinators in field settings, and who are familiar with Oregon flora. Successful applicants will be self-motivated, have a strong work ethic, be able to carry heavy gear (30+ lbs) on steep slopes, be able to work harmoniously in a group living situation, have a valid driver's license and clean driving record, be able to maintain a positive disposition under challenging field conditions, and have a proven track record of working in a safe, efficient, and cooperative manner in a team setting. Crew leader applicants should have these qualities as well as demonstrated leadership skills and experience making decisions and communicating effectively under challenging field conditions.

To apply: Applicants should create a single PDF or MS-Word file that contains (1) a cover letter addressing the candidate's qualifications as they relate to the specific duties described in the position description; (2) a full-length CV or resume; and (3) the names and contact information (email, telephone) of three references who may be contacted; this document should be emailed to oregonbeecrew@gmail.com with "Pollinator Crew 2019" in the subject line. We will begin reviewing applications on January 14th, and positions will be filled as qualified applications are received.