

SUMMER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

The Huyck Preserve and Biological Research Station is pleased to offer a summer research fellowship of \$10,000 plus residency (beginning in May and ending in September) and station fees for Ph.D. level researchers in any science discipline that can benefit from research station experience. The Fellow will conduct on-site independent research, act as the primary mentor for undergraduate students participating in the Preserve's Odum Internship in Field Ecology (mid-June through mid-August), and lead the Preserve's Thursday Lecture Series. Fellows are also encouraged to participate in one of the Preserve's many public outreach programs to share their research with the greater community. Preference will be given to individuals and projects with the potential to develop into long-term research activities at the Preserve. Ph.D. level researchers at all stages of their careers are encouraged to apply.

ABOUT THE HUYCK PRESERVE:

The Huyck Preserve is an independent non-profit nature preserve and one of the oldest biological field stations in the United States with an 80 year history of supporting science education and research. This 2,000-acre Preserve is located approximately 30 miles southwest of Albany, NY, in the historic village of Rensselaerville. The Preserve, a mosaic of old-growth, secondary, and plantation forests with two impounded water bodies and numerous wetlands all available for research. Further information on the Preserve can be found at: <http://www.huyckpreserve.org/>

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Conducting an on-site independent research project
- Mentoring the four undergraduate Odum Interns in Field Ecology (provide training in scientific inquiry, methodology, analysis, writing and implementation of original research projects).
- Lead the Preserve's Thursday Lecture Series with assistance from the Executive Director
- Assisting the Executive Director with the Annual Science Symposium in late July

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES:

The Fellow is encouraged, but not required, to participate in at least one of the public outreach programs the Preserve offers including:

- Guest lecturing for the Preserve's residential high school program Wildlife Ecology Research
- Giving a presentation at our Annual Science Symposium or Thursday Night Lecture Series,
- Providing an article for our bi-annual newsletter, or
- Leading a guided public hike



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DURATION:

Fellowship residency is dependent on the Fellow's research schedule, but Fellows are required to be in residence during the Odum Internship program (concentration in mid-June through mid-August) for which they are the primary mentor. Outside of this requirement, Fellows may be in residence (staying at the Station in Bird House Cabin) May-September.

HOUSING:

Fellows are housed in Birdhouse Cabin, a private cabin with a porch overlooking Lincoln Pond. This family-friendly cottage is equipped with a futon on the lower level and a full sized bed in the loft. A simple kitchen and a bathroom with a shower complete the cabin.

TERMS:

\$10,000 stipend plus housing and access to all Preserve properties and station facilities. This is a one year fellowship but the Preserve has extended contracts for a second year to exceptional Fellows interested in returning for an additional year.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Ph.D. in a natural science
- Experience in field research
- Experience in mentoring students in independent research projects
- Familiarity and comfort with a broad range of field research tools and methods

TO APPLY:

Please address inquiries about the position to Dawn O'Neal, Executive Director, at research@huyckpreserve.org. Additional information about the position can be found online: www.huyckpreserve.org/srf

- 1) Candidates should submit a complete application packet to research@huyckpreserve.org with candidate's last name_SRF_APP in the subject line: e.g. "Smith_SRF_APP." Complete application packets include:
 - a) A curriculum vitae
 - b) A statement of mentoring/teaching experience and philosophy
 - c) A statement of research interests that includes a brief description of how this position will enrich the candidate's research program
- 2) Letters of recommendation from two professional references should be emailed directly to research@huyckpreserve.org with the candidate's last name_SRF_REC in the subject line: e.g. "Smith_SRF_REC".

The Huyck Preserve does not discriminate against persons on the basis of race, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, marital status, age, disability or veteran's status.