



Shorebird Monitoring Technician

Agency: North Carolina Coastal Reserve and National Estuarine Research Reserve

Location: Wilmington, NC – UNCW Center for Marine Science

Job Category: Temporary

Start Date: Early March 2023 – late August 2023

Last date to apply: February 17, 2023

Description: One Shorebird Monitoring Technician position is needed to monitor the reproductive success for the American oystercatcher at the Masonboro Island component of the NC National Estuarine Research Reserve. The responsibilities include: 1) Field activities: completion of shorebird nest monitoring patrols; installation of protective structures; 2) Data collection following specified protocols; data management and quality control; and submission of data to appropriate databases; 3) Compliance with safety policies and practices; and 4) Property and equipment care: participate in proper use, care, and maintenance of the Reserve's property and equipment, including boats, tools, and electronics.

Qualifications: Minimum acceptable education is senior standing or recent graduate from an accredited university in a natural resources-related field such as biology, marine biology, conservation biology, or ecology. Graduate level education preferred. Previous experience with biological data collection is preferred.

General skills and capabilities desired: Attention to detail, ability and desire to work in difficult and physically challenging field conditions, ability to walk up to 9 miles, comfortable with solo field work, and ability to lift 40 lbs. Small boat handling skills preferred.

Pay: This position is temporary for approximately 25 weeks at 30 hr/week. Rate of pay is \$15.00/hr.

Other notes: Hours of work will vary depending on tides and weather. Early morning hours are required and will include significant independent work on a remote barrier island. The successful candidate will be an employee of Temporary Solutions.

To apply: Please send letter of interest, resume, and two professional references to Elizabeth Pinnix, elizabeth.pinnix@ncdenr.gov by Friday, February 17, 2023.

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