

Job Opening: Plant Ecology Lead Undergraduate Research Technician

The Damschen Lab is looking for a motivated, organized, and enthusiastic undergraduate science major with an interest in botany, ecology, or conservation biology to fill a lead research technician opening. The Damschen Lab focuses on global change impacts and plant communities from grassland and savanna ecosystems, including from Wisconsin and the southeastern U.S. In particular, our lab seeks to understand the impacts of habitat loss and fragmentation, land use history, and climate change on plant communities and the effectiveness of conservation and restoration activities.

We are looking for an undergraduate who can work ~8-10 hours/week during the Spring 2019 semester and full time during Summer 2019 with potential to continue part time for the 2019-2020 school year. The position pays \$9/hr. Lab duties include taking measurements of seed and leaf tissue characteristics, performing data quality control, coordinating off-site and in-lab field activities, training and scheduling other students and technicians, creating output datasets for other lab members, and conducting other lab management tasks. This job requires the ability to use spreadsheets, databases, and other specialized software, but training will be provided. Applicants should be highly organized, effective communicators, and have the capacity to be a strong leader. There is also potential to participate in future independent research opportunities in the Damschen Lab in addition to this position.

Applicants should send their CV (or resume) and a ½ page description of why this position interests them to Shea Collins at scollins5@wisc.edu by November 26, 2018.