

Pier 3, 501 East Pratt Street
Baltimore Maryland 21202

Position Opening

Job Title: Conservation Technician

Closing Date: April 4, 2005 or until filled

Description: The **Conservation Department** is announcing a **Conservation Technician** position to aid in the implementation of components of the Chesapeake Bay Initiative including the Wetland Nursery Program and responsible for technical and clerical assistance for the Conservation Department staff as necessary.

Responsibilities: Work on implementation of conservation projects as needed by the Chesapeake Bay Program Manager, including the wetland nursery program and environmental restoration activities. Responsible for details and logistics associated with the implementation of large scale community based environmental restoration projects. Executes Wetland Nursery program activities and schools participation by planning and presenting classroom activities, coordinating and implementing field trips, as well as purchasing and maintaining all supplies and equipment. Participate in the training of volunteers involved in the conservation field projects; perform public relations functions associated with conservation program; participates in Conservation department staff meetings and other ad hoc meetings as necessary.

Requirements: Bachelor's degree in environmental science or related field with strong background in wetlands ecology, or equivalent experience. Informal or formal teaching and field experience a plus. Must be able to drive passenger vans/SUVs and perform strenuous field activities, including but not limited to: lifting 50lbs (with or without assistance), reaching, pushing, and digging. Small boat handling experience and SCUBA certification a plus. Should be prepared to perform in various outdoor terrains and weather conditions. Should be able to work some weekends and holidays during field season. Candidates should have demonstrated skills in verbal and written communications, interpersonal relationships, including the ability to effectively communicate with a wide variety of groups.

Competencies: Must be knowledgeable regarding environmental and ecological issues pertinent to estuaries and tidal wetlands. Must have capacity to translate basic ecology and biology knowledge to volunteers and students. Must have proficiency in clerical skills (word processing, filing, telephone etiquette). Must be proficient in use of Microsoft office software applications. Should possess aptitude for various environmental monitoring techniques/methods. Must be able to motivate and coach interns/volunteers and manage students.

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