

**Large River Fisheries Ecologist
Illinois Natural History Survey (INHS)
Institute of Natural Resource Sustainability (INRS)
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**

INHS is seeking two (2) individuals to lead field research teams in the collection of fish population monitoring data . **These positions will be located at the Illinois River Biological Station in Havana, Illinois.**

Project description: This US Army Corps of Engineers' funded long-term fish population monitoring program to complement and augment current efforts by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to monitor the composition and relative health of the fish populations in the Illinois River.

Job description: Successful candidates will lead teams of field technicians in the collection of fish population monitoring data on the Illinois River from June 15 – October 31 each year, with administrative and research duties during off-season. Successful candidates must demonstrate strong leadership skills, experience in pulsed-DC boat electrofishing, fyke and hoop netting, trawling, standard fish sampling and water quality sampling techniques. Candidates should have experience driving 4WD trucks and trailering boats, be willing to travel with occasional overnight stays, work in inclement weather and conditions, and be proficient in fish identification. The successful candidates will also be responsible for fish identification and processing, data entry, and maintenance of field equipment. The successful candidates will also be strongly encouraged to participate with the principal investigator and other field station staff in the publication of peer-reviewed scientific articles and scientific presentations related to this program.

Qualifications: The incumbent must have a B.S. in fisheries, biology, aquatic ecology, or related field by the start of the appointment. Greater consideration will be given to M.S. level candidates. Experience writing reports and journal articles, with standard fisheries statistical analyses, and presenting at scientific meetings is preferred, but not required. Large river experience in electrofishing standard fish sampling techniques, boat driving, fish identification, and maintaining field equipment is also preferred. Demonstrated proficiency with Microsoft Office and statistical software packages is a plus. The individuals must have a valid driver's license, be able to swim, and be able to work in extreme weather conditions.

Salary: \$32,000 - \$38,000 per year commensurate with experience and education.

These are regular, academic professional, full-time grant supported 12-month positions. The estimated starting date is March 1, 2011.

Benefits: Generous vacation and sick leave. State Universities Retirement System. Group health, dental, vision and life insurance.

Applications must be received by December 30, 2010. To apply, all candidates must submit an online profile through <https://jobs.illinois.edu> by the close of the posting period. Qualified candidates must upload a letter of which details qualifications noted above, curriculum vitae, working e-mail address, and the names, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses of three professional references. All requested information must be submitted for your application to be considered. Incomplete information will not be reviewed.

For further information please contact Erica Hanson, Human Resources, Illinois Natural History Survey, 217-333-6897, elhanson@inhs.illinois.edu

For technical questions, please contact: Dr. Greg Sass, Search Committee Member, ggsass@illinois.edu

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