

Want to join an exciting, active research program focused on socially-just issues in visitor management, public lands, and the conservation social sciences in collaboration with federal partners? Then check out and apply for the following position (<https://www.jobsatosu.com/postings/103509>):

JOB DESCRIPTION

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE 2, SOCIAL SCIENCE (58)

Function Statement:

Conducts new research related to visitor use of National Wildlife Refuges in collaboration with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, including supervision of programmatic operations (i.e., research design); prepares data sets and conducts data analysis in support of project goals; prepares refuge-specific summary reports for public dissemination; prepares presentations and presents findings at local, regional, and national meetings; reviews relevant literature in order to prepare manuscripts related to visitor use of federal public lands under changing social-ecological conditions; other duties as assigned. This position, under the direction of Dr. Alia Dietsch, will primarily support visitor management at National Wildlife Refuges (see go.osu.edu/NVSresults), though research activities and teaching support related to other parks and protected area contexts (e.g., National Parks, local or regional parks) may apply.

Duties:

30% Conducts research (e.g., surveys, sampling design and execution), including supervision of programmatic operations in support of the National Visitor Survey conducted in collaboration with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Operations include coordinating with UniPrint regarding ongoing weekly mailings to refuge visitors and coordinating with data entry personnel (e.g., EntryTime, hourly undergrad students).

25% Combines data collected via multiple sources (e.g., paper surveys and Qualtrics - an online survey software) and prepares data for analysis through editing, tabulating, and coding procedures; performs standard or routine descriptive and inferential statistical computations on prepared data.

25% Writes/Prepares general summary reports for public dissemination, which includes preparing visual graphics of results.

10% Conducts literature reviews and develops manuscripts.

10% Other duties, as assigned (e.g., working with honors students; preparing presentations; developing a project web presence).

Supervision Exercised:

This position is likely to have supervision responsibilities of undergraduate students, and possibly graduate students depending on experience, employed on the project. Research Associate will also be required to collaborate with other team members and external partners.

Qualifications:

Master's degree in environmental social science, human dimensions of natural resources, or other related social sciences (e.g., psychology, sociology) required. Commitment to justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion efforts highly preferred. Experience working with Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS) or other statistical package preferred. Experience working in spatial mapping software, such as ArcGIS, desired.

Target salary range: \$22-25/hour

Please don't hesitate to reach out and ask questions! The deadline to apply is **Sunday, 10/25**.

Anyone interested in postdoc opportunities related to this line of inquiry are also encouraged to reach out to me to discuss options.

~Alia

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Due to COVID-19, I am working remotely until further notice. I am available by phone, email, and zoom during normal business hours at this time.

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