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Hi Jenn,
Just in case you're interested, here's a posting for an internship with my group. Please pass along to anyone else you thing might be interested:
Thanks!
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Job Description

Field Biology Intern-110000161

Description

The **Scotts Miracle-Gro Company**(NYSE: SMG) is the world's largest marketer of branded consumer lawn and garden products, with a full range of products for professional horticulture as well. Scotts Miracle-Gro has helped to grow the nearly \$7 billion global consumer lawn and garden market through product innovation, industry-leading advertising efforts and its trusted brands. Scotts is an EEO Employer, dedicated to a culturally diverse, drug free work place.

The successful candidate will become a member of the Field Biology team for a 3 month term beginning in May or June. This position is responsible for field, greenhouse or laboratory testing of new or experimental products that may include controls for lawn and garden pests (insects, diseases or weeds), fertilizers, growing media, seeds, or other gardening products. Product application will be under the direct supervision of a field biologist. Activities may include the following:

- Conducting field, greenhouse or laboratory experiments.
- Routine maintenance of test plots including watering, weeding, fertilization, cultivation and pest control.
- Recording data and results in notebooks and databases.
- Conducting statistical analysis and preparing summary reports of results.
- The incumbent will also be responsible for providing hands-on support for other activities as directed, e.g.
 - Preparing and arranging for shipment of chemical samples, per DOT, EPA and OSHA regulations.
 - Maintaining field supplies or laboratory upkeep, including chemical and equipment supply.
 - Additional activities may include assisting in the preparation of experimental formulations for testing.
 - Performing all project tasks in compliance with corporate Environmental, Health and Safety principles.

Key Work Performed

- Prepares and maintains field and greenhouse experiments.

- Garden preparation and maintenance
- Records results and observations for statistical analysis and reports.
- Ships products and prepares samples for analysis.

Qualifications

Education:

In progress: B.S. degree in Biology, Botany, Horticulture, Agronomy, Crop Science or related field.

Experience:

0-2 years of hands on experience in landscaping, gardening, lawn care or relevant farm work. Specific experience in field or greenhouse research and/or experience with standard laboratory practices.

Knowledge:

Familiarity with experimental design, data analysis, and report writing. Some knowledge of lawn and garden equipment such as lawn mowers, cultivators, irrigation systems or applicators of fertilizers and/or pest control products is a plus.

Experience:

- Experience with growing and maintaining plants.
- Experience with operating equipment used in the garden and horticulture industry.
- Enrollment in a college program in horticulture, agronomy, landscape design, ag-education or a related field.
- Ability to drive a vehicle

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