



# Hardwood Ecosystem Experiment

<http://HEEForestStudy.org>

*A long-term, large-scale experimental study of forest management and its impacts on plants and animals*

Job Title: Wildlife Field Technician (3 positions)  
Agency: Purdue University – Dept. of Forestry & Natural Resources  
Closing Date: March 1, 2019 or until filled  
Start Date: May 16, 2019  
End Date: Flexible, but approximately August 9, 2019  
Compensation: \$10.75/hour and housing\*

Wildlife Field Technicians help carry out research on the effects of silvicultural treatments on the ecology of managed forests as part of the Hardwood Ecosystem Experiment (HEE). Primary duties of these position(s) are to conduct aural bird surveys (May-June) and small mammal trapping (July-August). Additional duties are common and may include insect sampling, clearing sampling lines of obstructing vegetation, moth surveys, and other maintenance activities. Field work will be conducted in Morgan-Monroe and Yellowwood State Forests near Martinsville, IN and Bloomington, IN (respectively) and, during bird surveys, some sites within the Hoosier National Forest.

## **Qualifications:**

### Required

- Demonstrated experience with aural bird surveys
- Valid driver's license with a good driving record
- Willingness to work in extreme conditions, including traversing rugged terrain through dense, thorny shrubs and working in high temperatures and high humidity

### Preferred

- Willingness to camp for short periods during bird surveys in the Hoosier National Forest
- Demonstrated experience with small mammal trapping
- Experience with hand-held GPS units, maps and compass

Each work week will generally consist of five 8-hour days. Work will not exceed 40 hours in a week. Current students and recent B.S. graduates are encouraged to apply. Please contact Jeff Riegel ([jriegel@purdue.edu](mailto:jriegel@purdue.edu)) for specific questions.

To apply, please complete the attached HEE field crew application, also available for download at <https://heeforeststudy.org/jobs/>. Send this application along with a brief letter of interest by email to:

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HEE Project Coordinator  
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Phone: 765-494-1472

The successful applicant(s) will be subjected to a comprehensive background check managed by Purdue University's Human Resources department. The final hire is contingent upon clearance of this background check.

\*Bunkhouse/camp style field housing is provided. Residents will be required to pay a \$300 refundable security deposit prior to beginning work in addition to a \$20 non-refundable cleaning fee. Residents will also be required to help with regular cleaning and general upkeep of the facility.

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