JOB TITLE	Laboratory Assistant
DEPARTMENT NAME	Biology
JOB LOCATION	203B Johnson Hall
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EMPLOYMENT PERIOD	**Summer Only** [ ] **Sum & Acad Year** [X] **Acad Year Only** [ ]
HOURS PER WEEK	**Sum:** 40 hrs/wk [ ] up to 19 hrs/wk [ ] **Acad Yr:** up to 19 hrs/wk [X]
RATE OF PAY	$10/hr (Compliance with current UW Student Pay Schedule)

Duties and Responsibilities:

Our conservation biology lab is looking for several student assistants to help with our projects on genetics, stress, and reproductive hormones of African elephant, Steller sea lion, wolf, caribou, moose, and other endangered or threatened species. The position primarily involves preparing fecal samples for DNA and hormone analyses, along with light lab maintenance (e.g. washing glassware, preparing buffers & solutions, ordering, etc.), data entry, and the possibility of advanced DNA and hormone analysis if interested and prove to be a good worker.

Minimum Qualifications:

We seek steady, independent workers who are organized and reliable enough to trust with our valuable endangered species samples, is willing to spend time on routine lab work, and is also motivated to learn occasional new lab techniques. We require completion of two 200-level science lab courses, or equivalent lab experience, especially pipetting skills. Basic familiarity with Microsoft Excel & Word is helpful but not required. Must be willing to work occasionally with hazardous materials and biohazards (training provided).

Educational Benefits:

This position offers a fantastic opportunity to participate in valuable research on rare and endangered species while learning a variety of marketable laboratory skills (DNA extraction, PCR, advanced genetic analysis, hormone assays, and statistical analysis). Hours are very flexible.
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