Graduate Research Assistant, UAS 1571  
Biological Sciences

**Salary Range:** $15.00-$17.00/hourly

**Work Schedule.** This is a part-time position; Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.; non-exempt position. This position is not eligible for benefits.

**Essential Functions:** Under the direct supervision of the project Principal Investigator, the incumbent will provide technical and organizational support for the research activities being conducted in the Fisher lab. Major duties include: basic molecular biology techniques, plant culture, general lab management and some potential supervision of undergraduate researchers.

**Duties:**

60% - Molecular biology research support. Performs DNA extraction for plant samples, conduct PCR and enzyme digests PCR products, visualize digest products on agarose gels, document and database results.

25% - General lab management. Organize lab equipment and regents; identify supplies that need to be re-ordered; maintain detailed lab notebook and lab database; maintain lab website; potential training of undergraduates in molecular biology techniques above and lab protocols.

10% - Moss spore culture. Prepare and autoclave sterile culture media; quantify and standardize spore suspensions and plate on media; monitor growth of protonema and re-plate as necessary.

5%- Additional duties as assigned.

**Requirements:** The incumbent must be a student currently attending Cal State L A. A completed student employment application is required along with proof of course schedule to determine enrollment status. The incumbent must have a Bachelor’s degree from a four-year college or accredited university in Biology, Environmental Science, or related field. The incumbent must have experience in molecular biology techniques indicated above (PCR, enzyme digests, autoclave); conduction research and maintaining experimental data in a scientific laboratory. The incumbent must also have excellent organizational and communication skills. The incumbent must also demonstrate an interest and or ability in working in a multicultural/multiethnic environment. Fingerprinting will be taken and checked by the California Department of Justice and the FBI. The incumbent may be responsible for the fingerprinting processing fee. A completed UAS employment application is required.

Review of applications/resumes will begin January 14, 2018 and will continue until the position is filled; however, the position may close when an adequate number of qualified applications are received. You may apply to: uashr@cslanet.calstatela.edu or mail to: Cal State LA University Auxiliary Services Inc., 5151 State University Drive, GE 310, Los Angeles, CA 90032-8534
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