Research internship in the Bavarian Forest National Park

Forschungspraktikum im Nationalpark Bayerischer Wald

The Bavarian Forest National Park offers research internships for interested students, studying Biology, Forestry (Forstwissenschaften), Environmental sciences, Nature conservation (Naturschutz) or similar programs in 2023. The internship offers the possibility gain research and field work experience in several forest ecology and Biodiversity research projects. Applicants are encouraged to a longer time commitment (volunteers up to 3 month, mandatory internships up to 6 month).

Tasks:

- Invertebrate sampling with various methods (April September 2023) and sorting of insects (June November 2023)
- Vertebrate monitoring with nest boxes and acoustic monitoring (birds), wildlife cameras and bat detectors (April – September 2023)
- Supporting of decomposition experiments studying detritivore diversity and decomposition rates of plant and animal materials (April-September 2023)
- Microbe sampling from various deadwood types (September 2023)
- Other seasonally occurring tasks of various wildlife monitoring in the National Park (March -December 2023)

We offer:

- Opportunity to work surrounded by the extraordinary nature of the oldest national park in Germany and experience the rare mountain forest species it harbors
- Insights to how a national park functions
- Learning of scientific methods including organizing and completing field work, laboratory work, and species knowledge
- Getting to know researchers working on the most up-to-date ecology studies
- Housing provided by the national park
- Reimbursement of travel expenses

We expect:

- Basic knowledge in Biology, Forestry, or Environmental sciences
- Enthusiasm for forest ecology and biodiversity research, especially insect ecology
- Reliability, independence and the ability to work well in a team (often in international groups)
- Knowledge of English, knowledge of German recommended
- Capability to work outside in the field, possibly under difficult circumstances (weather, terrain)
- Possession of a car (eigener PKW) and use it for field work (fuel cost reimbursable)

Applications should be written in English or German with: cover letter, application form (QR-code), CV Jetzt (Lebenslauf) and the last grades certificate (letztes Zeugnis). bewerben!

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Application form in English: https://www.nationalpark-bayerischer-wald.bayern.de/ueber_uns/jobs/praktika/index.htm