

# Summer Field Assistant Position

“Effects of white-tailed deer winter habitat selection on hemlock stand-level soil chemistry”

*AKA: Deer and hemlock project*



## **Location and Dates**

Western Upper Peninsula of MI  
Late April - July/August (some breaks between)  
**Approx. pay rate ~\$8.00**

## **Responsibilities**

- Deer pellet group counts
- Sample understory tree and herbaceous densities
- Soil sample collection

## **Qualifications**

- Understanding of or course in *tree identification* and *forest measurements*
- Enthusiasm for or at least tolerance of early mornings, long hours outdoors and biting insects!  
Capacity to hike long distance in rough terrain
- Ability to work in small group/team environment
- Basically need to be hard working, enthusiastic and have a strong interest in ecology!

## **Other Details**

- Some camping and lots of hiking throughout western UP, Ottawa NF, Sylvania Wilderness Area and Porcupine Mountains!
- Skills used/learned: tree ID and measurements, compass and orienteering skills, GPS use, sampling design, fieldwork experience leading to letters of recommendation and future jobs!
- Ticks and mosquitoes become close acquaintances!
- Hemlock stands are very cool places to hang out on hot summer days!
- Additional work may be available during Fall Semester

## **Contact**

For more information or just to talk to about this position, please contact:  
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**DEADLINE – February 29th**