Kauai Forest Birds Recovery Project :: Employment

KFBRP is currently hiring four SEASONAL AVIAN CONSERVATION FIELD ASSISTANTS. Positions will last from late February, 2012 through mid-June, 2012. This is a rare opportunity to work on endangered tropical species in the U.S while gaining valuable research skills. The work is physically challenging, requiring a 4 to 8 mile hike to the main field camps by way of steep slopes, tangled forest and stream crossings. Daily field activities include conducting ornithological fieldwork while hiking through dense forest, in and along streams, often in rainy and chilly weather.

Qualifications:

Applicants must be able to detect and identify birds by color-bands and sounds, physically fit and able to navigate rugged and complex terrain using GPS and maps. Experience with nest searching and abundance surveys (e.g., line transects or point counts) is required, and with songbird re-sighting, behavioral observation, territory mapping, radio-telemetry and mist-netting/banding is strongly desired. Abundant enthusiasm for conserving Hawaii’s native species (including the ability to control invasive species along the way) is essential, as are self-motivation, the ability to work well in a small team, a positive attitude, and willingness to live in a remote field camps for more than a week at a time. Careful data collection is a must, and when not in the field, office duties will include data entry and organization, both supervised and independent research projects, maintenance of field equipment and living quarters, and other work around the office.

Compensation is ~$1300/mo with limited use of project vehicles. Housing when not in the field will be provided through the Project. The successful applicant must provide own travel to Lihue, Kauai and have a valid drivers license, and be legally eligible to work in the U.S. For more information, contact puaiohijobs@gmail.com

To Apply:

Applications will be accepted until Oct 31, 2011 and will be reviewed as they are received. Required materials include a current resume, cover letter, and contact information for three references. Applications will only be accepted on-line at kauaiforestbirds.org/employment. Applications will not be accepted by email.