



American pika research in Glacier National Park

Lead field technician

We are hiring one lead field technician position for American pika population ecology field work in Glacier National Park (GNP), Montana, June 15 – October 10, 2023. The lead tech will work closely with the fieldwork coordinator who has more than eight summers of experience traversing and conducting research in the backcountry of GNP. The crew will include two additional field techs and several volunteers. The research involves daytrips or 2–4-night backpacking trips (in groups of two) to conduct walking surveys of previously identified American pika habitat. The work involves substantial off-trail travel, often over challenging terrain. A typical day would include 4-12 miles of hiking and 1000-4000 feet of elevation gain. Some situations require scrambling up mountainsides and exposure to very steep terrain. However, no technical climbing skills are required. The successful applicant must have substantial experience in backcountry hiking and camping, be comfortable with the required level of physical exertion, and have outstanding navigational skills with GPS, and map and compass. Leadership skills are also strongly desired, as the lead field tech has a critical leadership role in the crew. They should be comfortable guiding less experienced crew members in the basics of backcountry travel and camping, especially for the first half of the summer. We will provide housing near the edge of GNP and a fueled vehicle for travel to and from sites. Compensation is \$10,800. We prefer an applicant who is available for the entire duration of the summer fieldwork season and is interested in the same position for summer 2024. To apply, send a current resume as well as a 1–2-page written statement outlining why you are interested in the position and highlighting your relevant experiences to Dr. Lucas Moyer-Horner, LRMHORNER@gmail.com.

Field technician

We are hiring two field technician positions for American pika population ecology field work in Glacier National Park (GNP), Montana, June 15 – October 10, 2023. The position is budgeted to last three of those four months but may be extended to the full four. Strong preference goes to applicants available through the month of September. Field techs will work closely with the lead field tech and the fieldwork coordinator who has more than eight summers of experience traversing and conducting research in the backcountry of GNP. The crew will also include several volunteers. The research involves daytrips or 2–4-night backpacking trips (in groups of two) to conduct walking surveys of previously identified American pika habitat. The work involves substantial off-trail travel, often over challenging terrain. A typical day would include 4-12 miles of hiking and 1000-4000 feet of elevation gain. Some situations may require scrambling up mountainsides and exposure to very steep terrain. However, no technical climbing skills are required. The successful applicant must have experience in backcountry hiking and camping, be comfortable with the required level of physical exertion, and have good navigational skills with GPS, and map and compass. We will provide housing near the edge of GNP and a fueled vehicle for travel to and from sites. Compensation is \$7000 (for three months). We prefer applicants who are available through August and September and would be interested in continuing the research in summer 2024. To apply, send a current resume, your dates of availability, and a 1–2-page written statement outlining why you are interested in the position and highlighting your relevant experiences to Dr. Lucas Moyer-Horner, LRMHORNER@gmail.com.