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Description Located in beautiful Fort Huachuca, Arizona, the U.S. Army Environmental Command (USAEC) is seeking a qualified intern who has an earned a bachelor's degree in Animal Sciences, Animal Behavior, Biology, Ecosystem Ecology, Plant Sciences and Wildlife Sciences.

What will I be doing?

As an ORISE participant, you will gain hands-on experience engaging with the Environmental and Natural Resources Division (ENRD) at Fort Huachuca. You will participate in a variety of research and educational activities in the observation, data collection, analysis, and protection of wildlife and their habitat. You will gain an understanding in a variety of biological elements including fish and wildlife management, botany, zoology, environmental protection, and watershed management. Please note that as the selected participant and as part of the learning and educational experience, you will be included in a 24-hour on-call status that may involve rotating shifts including weekends and holidays.

Why should I apply?

Under the guidance of a mentor, you will learn and gain experience with the following:

- Designing, developing and implementing wildlife management methods, procedures, and techniques such as (a) game and non-game wildlife population censusing; (b) habitat improvement activities such as habitat delineations and marking, prescribed burning, nesting structures, and habitat enhancements (c) habitat and population inventories such as avian and mammalian wildlife and habitat inventories; (d) wildlife surveys and field studies to determine numbers, environmental conditions, conditions of the species and its habitat and factors affecting the health and welfare of the species; and (e) habitat monitoring and protection.
- Learning nuisance wildlife management; including, developing of adaptive wildlife management solutions, and nuisance wildlife education and public outreach.
- Learning to trap and remove non-domestic animals (skunks, foxes, snakes, etc.) that are an immediate threat to humans or domestic animals.
- Participating in the removal of dead animals from roadways and/or housing areas located on the installation.
- Learning about the capture and impoundment of unrestrained domestic animals, how records are maintained, and how USAEC coordinates with the Preventive Medicine and Veterinary Offices as required to maintain rabies accountability records.
- Gaining exposure to domestic animal kennel facilities to ensure the humane treatment of all animals housed at the facility; including, aspects of daily animal husbandry, to include cleaning, feeding, enrichment, training, etc.

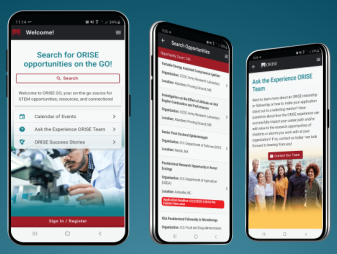
Where will I be located?

Fort Huachuca, Arizona

What is the anticipated start date?

The U.S. Army Environmental Command is ready to make appointments immediately. Exact start

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dates will be determined at the time of selection and in coordination with the selected candidate. Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis and internships will be filled as qualified candidates are identified.

What is the appointment length?

This appointment is a twelve-month research appointment, with the possibility to be renewed for additional research periods. Appointments may be extended depending on funding availability, project assignment, program rules, and availability of the participant.

What are the provisions?

You will receive a stipend to be determined by U.S. Army Environmental Command. Stipends are typically based on a participant's academic standing, discipline, experience, and research facility location. Other provisions may include the following:

- Health Insurance Supplement (Participants are eligible to purchase health insurance through ORISE)
- Relocation Allowance
- Training and Travel Allowance

About U.S. Army Environmental Command (USAEC)

The U.S. Army Environmental Command (USAEC) proudly delivers environmental services and solutions in support of the Army's Environmental Program, enabling Army readiness and sustainability. For more than 40 years, USAEC has provided the knowledge, tools, and programs that support ready and resilient Soldiers, installations, and commands by balancing military training with sound environmental practices. Sound natural resources stewardship through ecosystem management is the underlying approach, and elements of the program include forest management, fish and wildlife (nongame and game), threatened and endangered species, habitat and community management, environmental awareness and environmental protection.

Fort Huachuca is an Army installation in southeastern Arizona, adjacent to the town of Sierra Vista. The installation encompasses 80,000 acres across several environmental zones. The Huachuca Mountains form the Fort's western boundary, and the majority of the installation resides in a high-elevation (4,600ft AMSL on average) desert grassland environment. The DPW/ENRD is responsible for nuisance wildlife and domestic animal care and manages a stray animal facility for unclaimed domestics as well as coordinates with the City of Sierra Vista Animal Care Facility for a foster and adoption program. please visit https://aec.army.mil/

About ORISE

This program, administered by Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU) through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and DoD. Participants do not enter into an employee/employer relationship with ORISE, ORAU, DoD or any other office or agency. Instead, you will be affiliated with ORISE for the administration of the appointment through the ORISE appointment letter and Terms of Appointment. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. Health insurance can be obtained through ORISE. For more information, visit the ORISE Research Participation Program at the U.S. Department of Defense.

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Qualifications

The qualified candidate has an earned bachelor's degree in wildlife biology, biology, ecosystem ecology, plant science, or animal behavior. Degree received within the last 60 months, with a minimum 3.0 GPA.

PLEASE NOTE: it is required to have or receive the rabies pre-exposure vaccinations.

Preferred skills:

- Experience with Microsoft Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Access
- Basic editing skills
- Experience handling wildlife and domestic animals
- Knowledge of fish and wildlife biology to manage populations through habitat improvement, and harvest strategies and oversight
- Ability to lift materials weighing over 50 pounds and carry animals and equipment weighing up to 40 pounds for extended periods.
- Experience with live-trapping animals suspected of carrying rabies, such as bats, raccoons, and skunks.
- Experience with catch poles, traps, lariats, leashes, syringe poles, and nets.

Application Requirements

A complete application consists of:

- Zintellect Profile
- Educational and Employment History
- Essay Questions (goals, experiences, and skills relevant to the opportunity)
- Resume (PDF)
- Transcripts/Academic Records - For this opportunity, an unofficial transcript or copy of the student academic records printed by the applicant or by academic advisors from internal institution systems may be submitted. Click here for detailed information about acceptable transcripts.
- One Recommendation. Your application will be considered incomplete and will not be reviewed until a recommendation is submitted. We encourage you to contact your recommender as soon as you start your application to ensure they are able to complete the recommendation form and to let them know to expect a message from Zintellect. The recommender will be asked to rate your scientific capabilities, personal characteristics, and describe how they know you. You can always log back in to your Zintellect account and check the status of your application.

If you have questions, send an email to army@orise.orau.gov. Please list the reference code of this opportunity Army-AEC-2027-0001 in the subject line of the email.

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Eligibility Requirements

- **Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen Only
- **Degree:** Bachelor's Degree received within the last 60 month(s).
- **Minimum Overall GPA:** 3.00
- **Discipline(s):**

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