

Student Field Researcher

2007-2008 California State Park Visitor Survey



Position: Survey Field Researcher (part-time, variable schedule up to 30 hours per week)

Wage: \$12.00 per hour, plus per diem offered for days in field

Season: Now to December 2008 (with extended opportunities for graduate students)

Schedule: Flexible scheduling, working some weekends and holidays

Location: Numerous State Park units, including recreation, OHV, historic, and natural areas

Transport: Individuals must have their own vehicle (state rate mileage will be paid)

Accommodations: Will vary depending on season and weather. Field sites will include camping at park units, and stays at hotels.

Supervision: Field staff will be supervised by faculty members from the Recreation, Parks & Tourism Dept. at Sacramento State and hired through the CSUS University Enterprises Office of Research and Sponsored Projects.

Position Description: This is an excellent work opportunity for a variety of majors: recreation, parks, tourism, communications, marketing, social sciences. The job offers work in a variety of scenic, historic, and outdoor recreation settings throughout the California State Parks System. Field staff members will work as part of a research team with other students and CSU faculty.

Staff members will be responsible for the following tasks:

- Conducting interviews with area visitors throughout individual State Park sites
- Serving in a public contact role, explaining the purpose of the study and soliciting participation by State Parks visitors
- Filing and organizing research materials
- Conforming to research guidelines
- Coordinating with other field personnel to complete scheduled survey work
- Presenting a courteous and professional appearance in the field (uniform polo shirts provided)

Training in field work and duties will be provided by current research staff members.

Desired Skills:

- Strong public contact skills (greeting and interviewing visitors at park sites)
- Basic clerical skills (filing reports, basic Excel use, following a research schedule)
- Able to work outdoors comfortably (may need to work in rain or cool weather)
- Willingness to work as part of a team of field staff

Application Information or Questions: Contact Dr. David Rolloff to express your interest by sending an email to rolloff@csus.edu. Then visit the University Enterprises website www.ueijobs.com and follow the "Student Jobs" link to apply for the position called "Student Field Researcher." You can search for this position description name on the search link at the bottom of the webpage. It is listed under "RLS - Rec & Leisure."