

**Iowa Department of Natural Resources  
Job Opportunity - Wildlife Research Technician**

**Position title:** Wildlife Research Technician, Full-time Temporary

**Location:** Boone Wildlife Research Station, Boone, IA.

**Begin Date:** March 28, 2025 (flexible)

**End Date:** August 14, 2025 (flexible)

**Maximum Hours:** 40 hours/week (Total maximum of 779 hours)

**Wage:** \$15.00/Hour

**Primary Duties:**

The Iowa DNR Wildlife Diversity Program is seeking a full-time temporary research technician to assist with data management, data collection, education and outreach and equipment maintenance. We work statewide on many different and fascinating species of wildlife so there will be many opportunities for experience!

Duties include but are not limited to:

- Data entry for multiple surveys managed by the Wildlife Diversity Program
- Scanning data sheets from Iowa's Multiple Species Inventory and Monitoring program
- Conducting owl and nightjar surveys
- Assisting with Bumble Bee Atlas surveys and Integrated Monarch Monitoring Project surveys.
- Assisting with capture and tagging of Wood Thrush and tracking tagged Wood Thrush using radio telemetry.
- Writing newsletter articles about wildlife diversity topics. Editing and writing content for Wildlife Diversity webpages. Updating other educational materials.
- Assist with bat surveillance project (no handling of bats).
- Possible field data collection of birds, bats, snakes and other taxa.
- Other duties as assigned.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

- Detail-oriented and organized.
- Degree in wildlife biology or related field (or degree in progress).
- Knowledge of wildlife ecology (particularly wildlife classified as "non-game") and scientific data collection techniques.
- Good communication skills, especially writing and the ability to converse with the public about wildlife.
- Knowledge of wildlife that inhabit Iowa or the upper Midwest.
- Experience with data entry.
- Familiarity with computers, particularly Microsoft Office Programs. ArcGIS experience a plus.
- Experience identifying birds by sight and sound a plus but not required.
- Able and willing to work long hours in the outdoors in all weather conditions.
- Willing and able to work a flexible schedule including overnight travel and some early mornings and late nights.
- Valid Driver's License and ability to operate a motor vehicle. Certain projects will require a lot of driving.

**Deadline for Application:** December 30, 2024 by 5 PM CST.

Willing to allow part-time work around school schedule until end of spring semester, current local students are encouraged to apply.

**To apply:** To receive full consideration, you must send a cover letter, resume/cv, and contact information (name, title, phone, and email) of three professional references as a single PDF document in an email with the subject line "Boone Wildlife Research Technician" to: Riggs Wilson, Wildlife Research Specialist [riggs.wilson@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:riggs.wilson@dnr.iowa.gov)