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Work Opportunity – Research Aides

The Ag Alumni Seed popcorn research department in Romney, Indiana is seeking interested Purdue students for numerous seasonal part-time positions during the fall and winter. This role will involve both indoor and outdoor duties, and will run from **September through April**. Research aides will have the opportunity to work closely with our plant breeders and research technicians, and will participate in many of the field and lab activities involved with the functioning of a commercial specialty crop breeding program.

Duties Include:

- Helping in the hand-harvesting of research plots in breeding nurseries and yield trials
- Cleaning and shelling of popcorn ears
- Aid in the processing, treating, and inventorying of popcorn breeding seed in a seed lab
- Measuring and recording simple kernel characteristics
- Popping, measuring, and characterizing experimental popcorn hybrids in our test kitchen

Requirements:

- An interest in plant breeding, seed research and production, or food sciences
- No previous field, seed lab, or test kitchen experience necessary. All training will be provided.
- Strong work ethic and good attention to detail
- Ability to lift loads up to 50 lbs on occasion
- Reliable transportation to the research facility (approx. 20-25 minutes from Purdue campus)
- Ability to work in the United States without restriction

Promising applicants may have the opportunity to continue with a summer internship in our breeding nursery based on performance and interest!

Schedule:

Scheduling is flexible around classes and schoolwork, with the main work hours running from 7:30 to 4:00 Monday-Friday. Additional weekend hours may be available on occasion. Workers are requested to schedule at least 8 hours per week.

How to Apply:

Applicants should send an email describing their interest in the position, available hours, and attach a copy of their resume including work experience to MaryRose Korty at mkorty@agalumniseed.com