Seasonal Worker – Conservation Workers (arboretum - 2017)

Position Title: Seasonal Worker
Department: Horticulture & Conservation

Objective
Holden Forests and Gardens (Holden Arboretum & Cleveland Botanical Garden) is recruiting for seasonal workers to assist in its efforts to manage invasive plants within The Holden Arboretum’s 3,000 acre natural areas. The season typically runs from April to October, but shorter work periods may be arranged. Positions are full time Monday – Friday.

Supervisor
- Natural Areas Manager
- Works with horticulture / conservation staff
- Works with seasonal workers
- Works with volunteers

Work Location
- The Holden Arboretum – Kirtland, Ohio – less than 30 miles east of Cleveland.
- Encompassing more than 3,600 acres of cultivated gardens, woody plant collections and natural forested areas
- The Holden Arboretum / Cleveland Botanical Garden recently integrated, making the organization the 12th largest public garden in the U.S.

Responsibilities (include, but are not limited to)
- Collecting detailed information on plant populations and site conditions
- Electronic mapping using GPS and GIS technology
- Data entry and recordkeeping
- Equipment maintenance
- Use of hand pruners, loppers, hand saws, backpack sprayers and other application equipment trail maintenance
- Other projects as needed

Qualifications
- Strong customer service skills and experience working with the general public.
- Excellent verbal communication skills.
- Ability to work within a team, as well as independently.
- Experienced gardeners preferred.
- Good interpersonal skills
- Attention to detail
Safe operation and routine maintenance of mowing equipment and power brush-cutters.
- Use of hand pruners, loppers, hand saws and backpack sprayers
- Self-motivated
- Speak, write and understand English

Requirements
- Must pass a criminal background check and substance screening
- Acceptable driving record (3 points or less)

Physical Demands
Must be able to perform with or without reasonable accommodation
- Stand and/or sit for extended periods of time
- Effective vision and hearing
- Hand and arm dexterity
- Walk and work on wet, uneven, slippery terrain
- Regular lifting and carrying up to 50 lbs
- Kneeling, bending, stooping, grabbing and reaching
- Climb, reach, pull, push, grab

Work Environment
- Work outdoors in temperature ranges typical for Northeast Ohio
- Work in and around poison ivy, poison sumac, water, mud, brush and stinging insects
- April through October (Flexible starting & ending dates)
- Five days per week, Monday-Friday, 7:00 am to 3:30 pm
- Approximately 40 hours per week

Wages: Negotiable

Apply
Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

Qualified applicants should submit a resume online:
https://home.eease.adp.com/recruit/?id=15540281

Posting Date: February 2017
Closing Date: Until Filled

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