

Assistant Ecologist(s) (full-time)

Job description

PBA has an exciting opportunity for one or two Assistant Ecologists at the company's modern new base in Giggleswick, on the edge of the Yorkshire Dales National Park. PBA was established in 2010, and has grown to become the region's leading independent ecology practice. Carrying out ecological surveys and providing ecological and environmental support to a wide range of development projects throughout the region, PBA has a broad range of varied and interesting projects; each requiring bespoke solutions.

With the recent move of the business to larger purpose-built premises, our team of professional ecologists now requires additional Assistant Ecologist(s) support. Initially probationary (6mths), these are full-time position(s), with the opportunity for further progression within the business. We are offering an attractive starting salary (plus benefits including flexible working and cycle-to-work scheme), full training and support, and a brilliant working environment. The traditional market town of Settle is just a mile away, and this is also a great area for a range of sports, outdoor pursuits and classic karst landscapes of the Yorkshire Dales.

The successful candidate will provide valued support for an energetic team of ecologists and this growing business, both in the office and the field, undertaking clearly defined tasks under supervision.

Specific duties to include

- General support for a wide range of field work
- Preparations for field surveys
- Assisting with ecological surveys and species identification
- Assisting with freshwater laboratory duties
- Assisting with biosecurity duties
- Assisting with data entry and digital mapping
- Assisting with electro fishing surveys conducted by qualified personnel
- Assisting with data requests, and reporting on data searches
- Assisting with report preparation



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Essential criteria

- Achieve (or expect to achieve) BSc. 2(i) in a natural sciences subject
- Demonstrates keen interest in natural science, ecology and the natural environment
- Engaged, enthusiastic and willing to learn
- Adaptable and has a “can do” attitude
- Good verbal communication skills and able to express themselves clearly
- Excellent written English and good report writing ability
- Willing to follow instruction, especially in respect of personal safety
- Physically fit, at home in the outdoors, and happy to be out in all weather
- Knowledge of and basic competence with computers and MS Office Word & Excel
- Full driving licence

Desirable criteria

- Able to work independently and with initiative
- Active interest in wildlife identification and recording
- Attention to detail and methodical in approach to tasks
- Numerate – competent in basic data handling
- Creative and able to develop ideas
- Previous relevant experience
- Ability to swim confidently in open water

Starting salary range

£15,971 - £19,165

Applications

Please send your CV, together with covering letter (1 side A4 only, explaining why you consider this opportunity to be the right one for you) to:

Ian Fleming, Central Services Manager, PBA Applied Ecology Ltd.,
New Croft, Giggleswick, Settle, North Yorkshire BD24 0DL.

Or email to: enquiries@pba-ecology.co.uk

Closing date:

Friday 16 June 2017

Starting date: T.B.C.

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