



# **Insect Sorting Internship**

Smithsonian Institution, The Great Plains Science Program

Bozeman, MT

## **Position Overview:**

The Great Plains Science Program is seeking 1-2 enthusiastic and detail-oriented interns to assist with a Smithsonian affiliated graduate research project. This internship provides hands-on experience in ecological research. The interns will work closely with a MSU graduate student and research ecologists, gaining practical skills in insect taxonomy, specimen handling and data management.

## **Responsibilities:**

- Sort and classify insect samples based on key characteristics
- Assist with the preparation, pinning, and labeling of insects
- Record data accurately and consistently
- Help maintain a clean and organized workspace

## **Qualifications:**

- Interest in entomology, ecology, conservation, or related fields
- Strong attention to detail and ability to handle delicate specimens carefully
- Basic knowledge of insect taxonomy or willingness to learn
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Organizational skills and proficiency in data recording

**Duration:**

- 10-20 hours per week
- 2-3 months, with the potential for extension based on project needs and intern performance.
- Hours can be flexible to accommodate academic schedules.

**Compensation:** This is a paid internship

**Application Process:**

Interested applicants should submit a resume and a brief cover letter describing their interest in the position to Itai Namir ([itai.namir@gmail.com](mailto:itai.namir@gmail.com)). We encourage applications from all backgrounds.