



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). We encourage applications from all backgrounds.